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ITALIAN INVASION OF SOMALILAND

WAIT AND SEE IN JAPAN

Although the Japanese press and various semi-public bodies continue to demand vigorous action against Britain for the immediate release of all Japanese held within the Empire, the official attitude of "wait and see" appears to be gradually having effect.

News of the release of Mr. Satoru Makihara, manager of the London branch of the Mitsubishi Trading Company, combined with the Japanese announcement that "an unspecified number" of the Britons detained in Japan have been allowed to go home, seems to have eased the situation somewhat.

Nevertheless it cannot in any way be said that the tension is over.

Virulent Inveective

The British Embassy in Tokyo yesterday was the scene of numerous delegations from public bodies who handed over resolutions demanding that the arrested Japanese be immediately released and threatening that otherwise Japan would take "drastic measures" against Britain.

Anti-British outbursts in the press meanwhile continue to indulge in the most virulent invective.

The reported threat by Hong Kong to close the port to Japanese shipping hitherto has been received comparatively calmly.—Reuter.

FATSHAN PARLEYS

The s.s. Fatshan is expected to be in Hong Kong within the next few days to resume the steamship services between Hong Kong and Canton, interrupted since August 1.

Negotiations are said to be proceeding smoothly and satisfactorily and are expected to be concluded before the week-end.

The Japanese services which have ceased since July 28, will also presumably resume functioning after the s.s. Fatshan is "released."

BORDER SITUATION

Chinese reports stating that there has recently been a substantial increase of Japanese forces along the border are contradicted by reliable sources to-day.

The strength of the Japanese forces is not more than 3,000 troops.

No artillery has been positioned near the border.

Driving For Coast In Three Columns

EXPLOSION IN EAST ANGLIA

An explosion occurred on Monday at a coastal village in East Anglia, it was revealed in London yesterday.

Several civilians were injured and some damage done to surrounding property.—Reuter.

NINE DEAD IN TAIPO AVALANCHE

A POLICE REPORT ON THE DISASTER AT THE TAIPO TUNNEL ON MONDAY MORNING, WHEN KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY PASSENGERS WERE BURIED UNDER A LANDSLIDE, STATES:

"Ting Yee-fu, 18, and Lam Yuk, 49, have been admitted to the Kowloon Hospital with serious injuries.

"Nine bodies have been removed to the Kowloon Public Mortuary, including

"Two married women, Hui Kui, 32, and Hui Yuk, 25.

"Three boys aged 13, 14, and 15.

"Two girls, aged 9 and 10, and "Two unidentified Chinese women, between the ages of 30 and 35 years."

KOENIGSBERG RUNS BLOCKADE

According to advices received by exporters in Rio de Janeiro yesterday the German freighter Koenigsberg, which left Belem (Brazil) on May 27, has arrived safely at a German port.

The Koenigsberg (6,466 tons) was one of several German ships which skipped out of Brazilian waters earlier this year in an attempt to run the British blockade.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—East winds, fresh; fair generally, local showers.

A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO YESTERDAY REVEALED THAT ON MONDAY THE ITALIAN FORCES IN EAST AFRICA BEGAN TO INVADE BRITISH SOMALILAND.

The enemy, according to the British communique, is operating in three columns, one moving on Odweina, another on Hargeisa and a third from Jire towards Garagara.

The communique adds: Our land and air forces are organised to resist these advances despite the collapse of French Somaliland.

On other fronts there is nothing to report.

A communique issued in Nairobi (Kenya) states: Fighting patrols

from our forward detachments located a small group of bada (Italian irregulars) on the Bunaajao road.

After a brisk engagement the enemy withdrew in disorder, leaving one killed and two wounded. Our casualties were one African ranker slightly injured.—Reuter.

Italian Objectives

Military quarters in London state regarding the invasion of Somaliland that the Italian columns appear to have as their respective objectives the Gulf of Aden ports of Berbera and Zella but they have a long and arduous route to traverse.

The British forces opposing the Italians are the Somaliland Camel Corps who are an excellent and capable body.

The Italians must cross a mountain range 3,500 feet high traversed only by rough camel tracks, so it is unlikely mechanised troops can be used.

Guerilla warfare is expected, while the British air force has been able to inflict damage on the slow-moving columns.

The temperature is often 120 degrees Fahrenheit.—Reuter.

"YOU WILL BE KILLED NEXT" WARNING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

An anonymous caller yesterday made a direct threat against Basil Chilkn, editor of the pro-Soviet Russian newspaper "Daily News" in Shanghai.

The warning was given over the phone by a man speaking broken English with a strong Russian accent, saying "Tovarich Chilkn, you will be killed next."

A sharp editorial battle was waged recently between the "Daily News" and the Japanese-sponsored Russian newspaper "Far Eastern Times" following the murder of Charles Metzler.

The latter journal demanded that the "Daily News" stop its insinuations that the murder was committed by Russians under the orders of the Japanese.—Havas.

INDO-CHINA RUMOURS

A Japanese armada is in Tongking Bay, according to messages received last night in Kwong Chow Wan.

Over 100 Japanese warships, transports, and armed trawlers, are said to have assembled in the Bay since Monday afternoon.

Unconfirmed reports add that the admiral in charge of the fleet, has arrived in his flagship off Walchow Island.

'REQUEST' GRANTED

Estonia's request for incorporation in the Soviet Union was unanimously passed by the Supreme Soviet in Moscow at 3 o'clock this morning.—Reuter.

ALL GERMAN ARMY LEAVE CANCELLED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

According to messages from Zurich quoting well-informed circles in Berlin, all German army leave has been cancelled and large bodies of troops are proceeding towards the Channel coast.

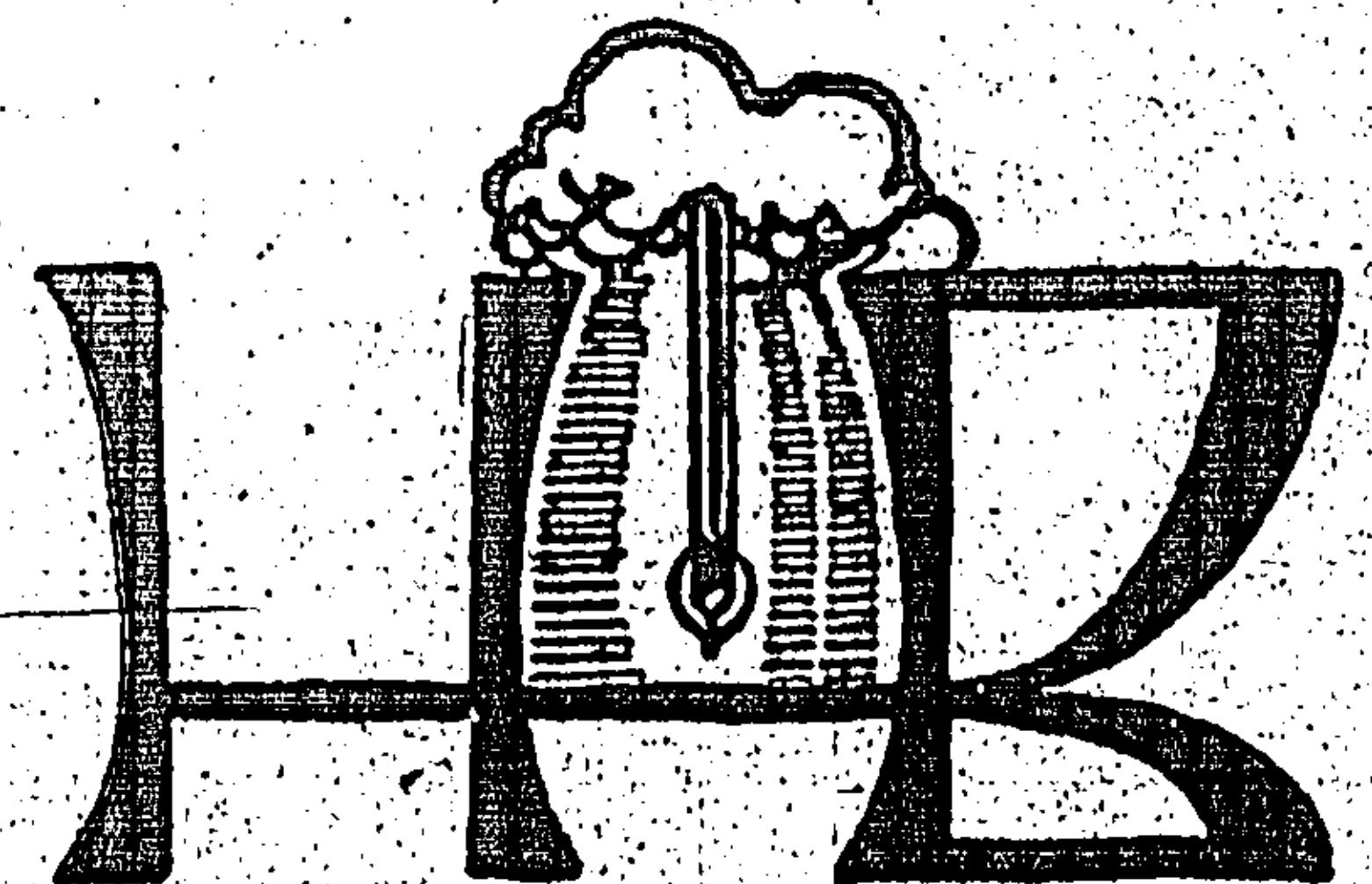
Heavy concentrations of barges are reported in Belgium, Denmark and Northern France.—Havas.

PETAIN CABINET FACING THE FACTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The French Cabinet, meeting in Vichy yesterday under Marshal Petain, mainly devoted the session to foreign policy problems and the latest developments in the armistice permanent committee at Wiesbaden between German and French delegates. The Ministers also discussed questions relating to the harvest and anti-alcoholism.—Havas.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

GLOOMY PICTURE OF CONDITIONS IN BELGIUM

HOLIDAYS WITH PAY --IN FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Annual holidays with pay, provided for in legislation passed before the war and suspended on May 12, are re-established by an order issued by the Petain Government in Vichy yesterday. — Havas.

LORD GORT'S DESPATCHES --LATER

PUBLICATION AT SOME LATER DATE OF LORD GORT'S DESPATCHES ON THE OPERATIONS OF THE B.E.F. IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM IS UNDER CONSIDERATION BUT THE WAR SECRETARY TOLD THE COMMONS YESTERDAY IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO ISSUE THEM AT PRESENT.

HE ADDED THAT PUBLICATION OF AN ABBREVIATED DESCRIPTION OF THE WHOLE CAMPAIGN, WHICH WOULD PUT IN PERSPECTIVE THE PIECEMEAL STORIES ALREADY IN CIRCULATION, HAD BEEN CONSIDERED ALSO BUT THE "DIFFICULTIES AT THIS TIME ARE RATHER EXCEPTIONAL, ESPECIALLY IN RELATION TO WHAT HAPPENED IN FRANCE AND EVENTS IN REGARD TO THE FRENCH NATION ITSELF." — BRITISH WIRELESS.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that weak anticyclonic areas cover Manchuria and the Pacific to the south and east of Japan. Depressions are situated to the north of Hokkaido, over south west China, and the western Carolines.

"WHAT IS 'THE MAN WITH THE UMBRELLA' DOING ABOUT THE 'CLOUDS OVER EUROPE'?"

Ralph Richardson of "The Citadel" fame.



COME TO THE KING'S THEATRE TO-MORROW AND FIND OUT!

MR. JOHN CUDAHY, former United States Ambassador to Belgium, painted a gloomy picture of economic conditions in Belgium to a meeting of newspaper representatives in London yesterday.

Mr. Cudahy suggested that supplies of foodstuffs, which were already severely rationed, might last from eight to ten weeks after which he implied the situation would be desperate unless supplies were imported.

He observed much would depend on what happened to Britain, adding that it was only an "academic" question for Britain to consent to the shipment of rations to Belgium.

Mr. Cudahy declared that when the truth was known, King's Leopold's decision to surrender would be applauded.

"I think it will be known that the Allies were fully informed not less than three days before-hand," Mr. Cudahy asserted.

Belgian Sympathies

He said he did not propose to enter any controversy over the French and British claims which are in opposition to this statement, notably M. Reynaud's assertion that the French were not previously warned.

Mr. Cudahy said personally he was convinced that the sympathies of Belgians were still with Britain. — Reuter.

2,000,000 Refugees

In Belgium, Mr. Cudahy said, all industry is in a state of stagnation.

There are still about two million refugees in France. Rationing is very severe.

He also stated that in unoccupied France thousands had been swept into the south with the result that harvest fields are neglected and there is no one to gather in the crops. Mr. Cudahy expressed keen apprehension regarding the food situation when existing supplies give out.

His remarks to reporters, reproduced in the press, convey a strong impression that in his view the Germans have no plans for meeting or mitigating the cruel disaster which their aggression has brought upon these unhappy people and that the Nazis are simply looking to some outside aid to solve these problems for them and to relieve the forces of occupation of the responsibilities they have incurred and of the political consequences of a neglect to discharge them.

German Behaviour

"At the same time, Mr. Cudahy said, the German army itself had behaved with a great deal of restraint in Belgium and so far as his personal observation went the Belgians were not complaining of their treatment by the military. But they were not being germanised in spirit and he was certain they wished for and had confidence in the final success of Britain and the Allied cause.

Mr. Cudahy also spoke of King Leopold who, he said, it was no secret was a prisoner of war.

He gave his personal opinion that the King's act of surrender would be accepted by impartial history as a conscientious decision based on the conviction that there was nothing to be gained by continued resistance. In the circumstances of that hour of despair for Belgium or her allies commensurate with the sacrifice of life involved. — British Wireless.

INDIAN P.C. SHOT DEAD IN STATION

It was disclosed this morning that Police Constable Narza Singh (B669) was fatally wounded at 4.55 p.m. yesterday when it is alleged, he was fired at by Police Constable Merhan Singh (B611) in his quarters in the Yau-mati Police Station.

Chief Inspector M. H. Hourihan and District Inspector Wright, sitting in the former's office, heard four revolver shots.

The Indian interpreter rushed into the Indian Constables' Quarters and found, it is alleged, Merhan Singh with a revolver in his hand and Narza Singh lying on the floor.

He caught hold of Merhan Singh, dragged him out of the Quarters, and, with the assistance of other constables, disarmed him.

Narza Singh was sent to the Kowloon Hospital but died an hour after admission.

Narza Singh was attached to Yau-mati Police Station.

Merhan Singh was attached to Tai-po Police Station and had been sent to Yau-mati to escort a prisoner.

YOUTH EDUCATION IN FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Akin to the C.C.C. youth groups in the United States, outdoor camps for 70,000 Frenchmen of 20 and 21 will shortly be established, according to yesterday's "Le Temps".

The youths will comprise those who formed part of the 1940 military classes and whose term of military service has been brought to a close by the armistice.

The youths will receive no military or political education but "complementary moral and virile education." The men will work on irrigation, forestry, road building, etc. — Havas.

R.A.F. RAIDS IN REICH

An Air Ministry communique states that R.A.F. night bombers carried out attacks on military objectives in Holland and Northern Germany, including targets at Wismar, Kiel and Hamburg.

Goods-yards at Hamm and aerodromes at Schifol and Dortmund were also damaged.

All our aircraft returned safely. — Reuter.



A new career is being opened to women. At the Gaiety Theatre, Manchester, they are learning to control the projection of films from start to finish and as men are called for National Service the girls will replace them as cinema operatives. It will be the first time in screen history that woman has done this type of work. Photo shows girls learning how to project films. (Copyright, Fox).

GERMANY'S NEW ENVOY IN FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Paris radio announced yesterday that Hitler has appointed Otto Abetz as new German envoy to France. Abetz up to now has held the post of delegate of the Nazi Foreign Ministry attached to the staff of the German military governor in the occupied zone. — Havas.

LATE TRAMS FOR PEAKITES

ALTHOUGH THE PEAK TRAMS NORMALLY STOP SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT, SPECIAL LATE CARS HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE DURING THE PAST TWO OR THREE DAYS UP TO AROUND 2 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MANY PEAK RESIDENTS MORE OR LESS CUT OFF BY THE LANDSLIDE IN MAGAZINE GAP ROAD.

An official of the company told the "China Mail" this morning that this was a special emergency service for the benefit of the general public and would last as long as the circumstances require it.

A fare of 30 cents a head is charged, with a minimum fare for the whole car of \$2. There is no fixed schedule, so that the car waits until \$2 worth of fares or more have arrived.

A party of seven arriving at once, therefore, would not have to wait more than a minute or two before the "next car" leaves.

TRICKS OF THE GOEBBELS TRADE

FURTHER DETAILS of tricks played by the German propaganda ministry headed by Dr. Goebbels have been received in London.

In Denmark, a common feature of cinema programmes has been a German newsreel showing the enthusiastic reception supposed to have been given by the Danes when the Nazis marched in last April.

One Dane was horrified to see his wife standing in the front of the crowd, cheering and waving.

When he got home and taxed her about it, she told him she had not left the house that particular day!

So he took her along to the cinema to see for herself. She could not deny it was her—but saw that she was wearing a hat that she had not worn for two years.

The film was actually made in May, 1937, during the celebrations of the 25th anniversary of the accession to the throne of the King and Queen of Denmark. — Reuter.

The Nazis had got hold of it and converted it to their own use.

News of another "dodge" has come from France, where workmen in a factory just outside Paris were ordered to gather to hear a statement by an official.

His first words were: "Will those who do not understand German please hold up their hands?"

All but a few workmen held up their hands.

A photographer promptly "snapped" the scene and the picture later appeared in the German press captioned "French working-men shout 'Hell Hitler!'" — Reuter.

BLITZKRIEG OFF?

Neutral Survey Of Hitler's Tactics

AN OPEN LETTER TO MUSSOLINI

The Egyptian weekly newspaper "Al Mussawar," in an open letter to Mussolini, refers to the long-established friendly bonds between Britain and Egypt culminating in the treaty of alliance.

Egypt, it says, does not wish to emerge from this gigantic struggle in which every code of honour has been violated with the reputation of stabbing a friend in the back or dishonouring herself by repudiating agreements.

The idea of disloyalty to Britain has never crossed our minds and if any of your propaganda agents asserted to the contrary we have certainly misled you.

Let it be clearly understood Egypt will never think to replace the alliance with Britain by any such bond with any other power.

Memories Not Short

Even if Egypt sought another ally she would not choose a country which proclaimed its intention of re-establishing the Roman Empire containing Egypt and the Sudan, a country whose inhabitants are so poor they exploit any occupied territory for their own

GERMANY'S "CONQUEST" IN LUXEMBOURG

It was announced in Berlin yesterday that German police have made a "triumphant entry" into the capital of the Duchy of Luxembourg. The announcement adds that thousands listened to a speech by the chief of the German civil administration who "explained to them the German character" of the Duchy.—Reuter.

benefit.

Any action taken by the Italian forces against the Sudan will be an act of hostility towards Egypt.

Egyptians are intelligent and will never be deceived by the outpourings of Rome and Bari, which promise happiness to those submitting to Fascist rule. Their memories are not short nor are they blind to what happened to Libya.—Reuter.

INVASION SPECTRE AS PART OF PEACE OFFENSIVE

THE STOCKHOLM newspaper "Dagens Nyheter" pointed out yesterday that the tremendous Nazi propaganda campaign in connection with an imminent German invasion of Britain has suddenly ceased, and suggests the object of the campaign was to compel the British to maintain strong forces at home and so weaken the Expeditionary Force in France.

But suddenly, after the conclusion of the French campaign, invasion propaganda started again and military circles in Berlin provided foreign journalists with detailed descriptions of the planned invasion.

Journalists themselves could scarcely conceal their surprise at such frankness but it was interpreted as an indication of German confidence in victory when they related beforehand all the details of the invasion.

On July 19 another sudden change took place—Hitler offered to refrain from invading Britain.

It was a peace offer under the fearful threat of invasion. Britain was to withdraw from Europe or be totally destroyed.

Axis Retreat

When Lord Halifax refused the offer it was still hoped Mr. Churchill would be more conciliatory but when it was clear that hopes of peace were vain, then Berlin and Rome announced that an invasion was not being contemplated and instead Britain was to be defeated by a war of exhaustion—the same tactics which Hitler declared did not win a single honourable victory in the last war.

Was the first campaign of invasion merely tactical and the second one merely meant to intimidate the English?

A.P. GETS A STORY AND ENDS A STORY

Berlin has been making much of an alleged story that the Associated Press of America correspondent in England was refused permission to visit British ports, whereas the Berlin correspondent of A.P. was allowed to visit Hamburg.

Unfortunately for the Nazis, the London A. P. correspondent is beyond their reach and able to tell the truth.

Yesterday morning, he issued the following statement:—

"The correspondent who requested permission to tour one of the principal British ports not only received authorisation but was supplied by the authorities with a car and a guide for an extended tour."

The A. P. correspondent made a survey of over a dozen British ports, says A.P., ports which the Germans claimed to have damaged.

Official London quarters suggest that the A.P. reports of a lack of serious damage probably inspired the German allegation.—Reuter.

SOVIET ASTRIDE THE FENCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE SOVIET'S DIPLOMATIC POSITION IN WAR-TORN EUROPE AND THE KREMLIN'S FUTURE DESIGNS WERE THE SUBJECT OF COMMENT IN THE FRENCH PRESS YESTERDAY, IN THE LIGHT OF M. MOLOTOV'S SPEECH.

"Le Temps" is of opinion that "the subtle tactics of Soviet diplomacy will be continued despite the enormous bloodless territorial acquisitions secured by Russia, while the whole future of Europe will be directly influenced by future Russian moves."

The newspaper attributes considerable importance to a recent article published in the official Soviet journal "Izvestia" in which direct threats against Finland were uttered.

At the same time the passage in M. Molotov's speech stating the Russian people must be ready for wholesale mobilisation in order to defend their borders, is highly puzzling in view of the fact that the Soviet borders are not threatened by any power at present.

The "Izvestia" article referred to the extension of the war into an imperialist colonial world struggle, meaning the war might suddenly assume a very cruel aspect with no end in sight.

All this means, according to the French newspaper, that the Russian people must be held in constant alarm to be ready to face any situation which might be created by the war.

"Le Temps" concludes that the real intention of the Soviet rulers is to prepare the Red Army to play "a decisive revolutionary role" when all the "capitalistic powers" are exhausted and ruined by the war.

Double Game?

"Paris Solr," on the same subject, says facts nobody knows

AVIATION BONDS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Chinese press in Shanghai announced this morning that the Chungking Government is floating special "aeronautic bonds" for the purchase of foreign planes and for the training of pilots. Total amount of the loan is U.S. \$5,000,000, issued at par and redeemable within five years after the end of the present conflict. All Chinese both in China and overseas are requested to subscribe.—Havas.

TWENTY LOST IN "FLEMING"

It was officially announced in London yesterday that one officer was wounded, 19 ratings missing presumed dead and two wounded in H.M. trawler Fleming, the loss of which has already been announced.—Reuter.

COMMONS TO TAKE HOLIDAY

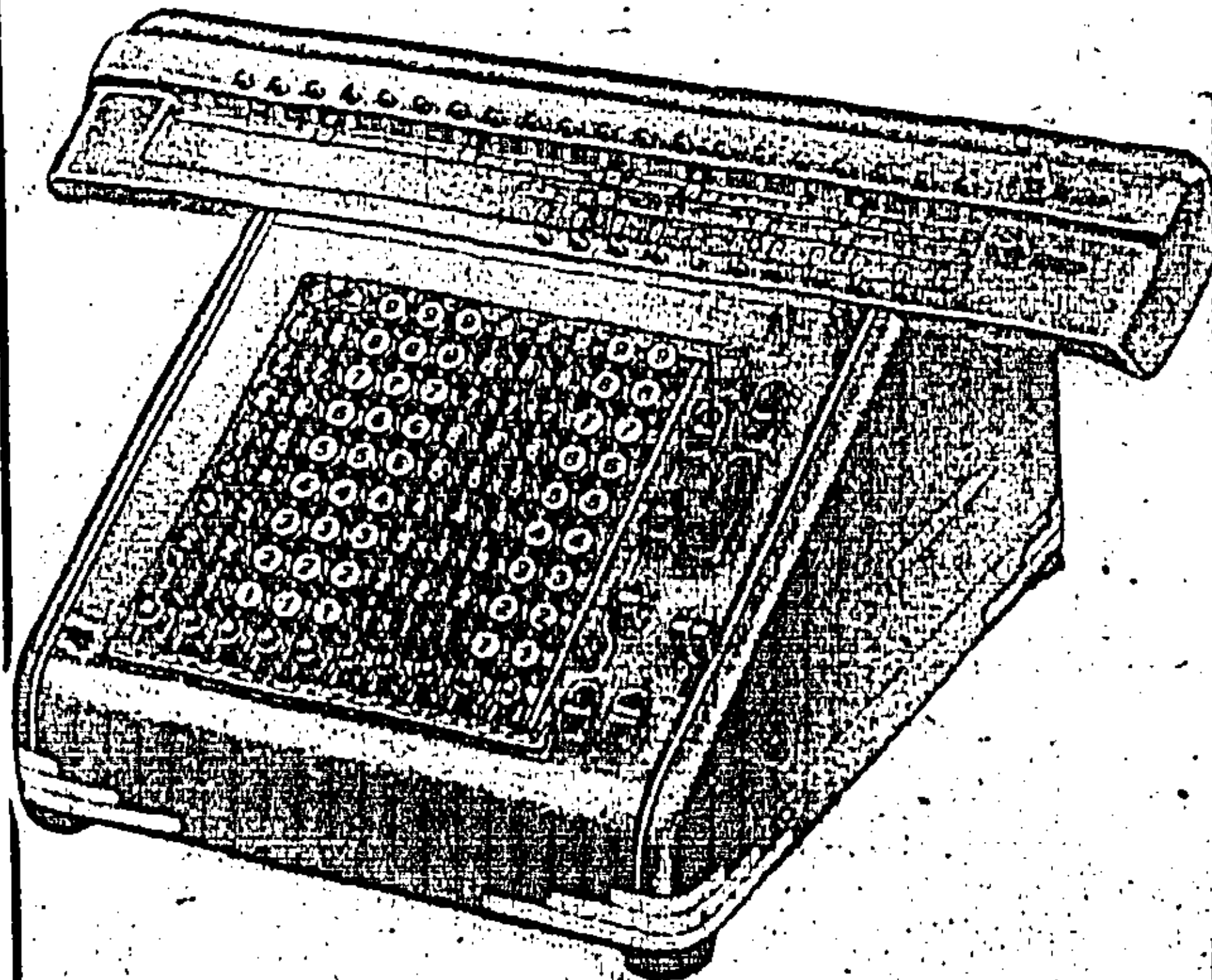
IT IS NOW EXPECTED, SAYS REUTER'S LOBBY CORRESPONDENT, THAT PARLIAMENT WILL RISE FOR A SHORT SUMMER RECESS ON AUGUST 22. MEMBERS HOPE TO GET A FORTNIGHT'S HOLIDAY AFTER WHICH IT IS THOUGHT THE HOUSE WILL HOLD SITTINGS ONCE A WEEK FOR A TIME.—REUTER.

FOLLOW THE LEADER POLITICS

Before a crowded session of the Supreme Soviet in Moscow yesterday, Estonia appealed for incorporation in the U.S.S.R. The appeal was made by Lauretskis, Secretary of the Estonian Communist Party in a fore caused a long war which Germany could not win. Does this opinion still hold?—Reuter. Lithuania, — Reuter.

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HITLER'S LEAFLETS PUT ON SALE IN ENGLAND!

NAZI LEAFLETS dropped over England last week are still being found in odd places. They make very good waste-paper and before they reach that stage contribute to local Red Cross funds.

One town collected no less than £12 for this purpose from the sale of leaflets.

Prices vary according to the number available and whether the leaflets are dry or unsoiled. A penny or two is the common price, but in places far distant from where they fell the leaflets sometimes raise as much as five shillings.

One man raised £1 for a local charity by charging a penny to anyone who wanted to read his copy, the only one in the neighbourhood.

Despite all this, the official German news agency, in a message which it claims came from Lisbon, says that homes in Britain are being searched by the police and people are being threatened with dire punishment if they do not surrender the leaflets.

The public secrete them, according to the "news" agency, and pass them on furtively to friends — like book-maker's runners in a backstreet!

Semi-official circles in London last night commented sarcastically they would welcome some more Nazi leaflets but hoped that next time the leaflets would contain something less stale and more interesting than a speech made by Hitler a couple of weeks ago and already fully reported in the British press.—Reuter.

UTTER NONSENSE

THE AUSTRALIAN ATTORNEY-GENERAL, IN A PRESS INTERVIEW YESTERDAY, DISCUSSED ITALO-GERMAN CLAIMS THAT AUSTRALIA HAS VIOLATED INTERNATIONAL LAW BY ESTABLISHING MILITARY DIVISIONS IN PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

"That is utter nonsense," he said. Germany and Italy apparently wanted the door left open so that they could walk in. The mandate, he pointed out, imposed on Australia the duty of defending New Guinea.

"That is not only a duty, but a right, and we will discharge it to the best of our ability," he concluded.

A contrast is drawn in London between the present regard of Italy and Germany for international law with their utter disregard of it when it suits their own purposes.—Reuter.

STREICHER DOWN BUT NOT DEAD

REPORTS THAT JULIUS STREICHER, THE NOTORIOUS NAZI JEW-BAITER, IS DEAD, EITHER BY HIS OWN HAND OR BY OFFICIAL NAZI DECREE, HAVE BROUGHT A PROMPT DENIAL FROM BERLIN.

Two neutral news agencies quote Berlin circles as stating that Streicher was relieved of his duties as Governor of Franconia some time ago, and that he is now living in retirement on his estate.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT OUTPUT

The chairman of Australian aircraft production said yesterday that by the middle of next year the Commonwealth will be producing one Bristol "Beaufort" bomber a day. The project will require 10,000 workers.—Reuter.

UNBRIDGEABLE GAP

BRITAIN'S DEFENCES HAVE BEEN MADE SO FORMIDABLE THAT A NAZI ATTEMPT AT INVASION BY SEA OR AIR WILL BE EXTREMELY COSTLY, THE AUSTRALIAN MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TOLD THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT CANBERRA YESTERDAY.

Hitler's speech on July 19, he went on, did not provide a genuine base for peace. There is an unbridgeable gap between German and British aims.

He also announced that Australia has reached an agreement with the local authorities of the French colony of New Caledonia for the maintenance of trade. An Australian representative will be sent to the capital of New Caledonia.—Reuter.

ULSTER'S PART IN THE WAR

NORTHERN IRELAND'S PROVISIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE WAR EXPENDITURE BILL THIS YEAR WILL BE RAISED FROM £4,500,000 to £6,000,000.

The Minister of Finance announced this in Northern Ireland's House of Commons yesterday when he introduced the supplementary budget.

He also said that 90 per cent instead of 75 per cent of Ulster's savings certificates will be passed to the British Exchequer.—Reuter.

RAJAH'S GIFT

The Maharajah of Bikaner has given 3,000 rupees for comforts for the fighting forces. Both Indian and British troops will benefit.—Reuter.

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MAYBE WE'RE WRONG!

Officially, not a drop of rain fell yesterday!

Those on the Island who scurried for shelter in the tiffin hour yesterday, from the pelting downpour; amahs who strained legs and arms getting the laundry in; and the three boys who were washed down into the harbour via a nullah might think differently.

But last night, the weather report from the Royal Observatory, stated:—"Rain-fall, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 0.00."

Explanation: "Local showers."

PURITY BY NUMBERS

NAZIS WILL NOW HAVE TO CARRY WITH THEM A 50-PAGE LEAFLET AS PROOF OF THEIR "NATIONAL PURITY" AND WILL HAVE TO TRACE THIS "PURITY" BACK TO 1800. IT COSTS 50 PFENNIGS.

The purpose is not to trace their line of ancestry but to prove the racial purity of all "Aryan" Germans. At the moment, the booklet is only compulsory for members of the Nazi party and other Nazi organisations, but in the introduction every German citizen is advised to obtain one.

The good "Aryan" German, to get the booklet, must have five generations of "pure race" behind him. His "proof" must be witnessed by an Official Registrar and he must then obtain stamps and certificates for documents from 96 other registrars! In a foreword, Hitler gives the booklet his blessing.—Reuter.



CANADA AND SOUTH AMERICA

Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, revealed in the House of Commons at Ottawa yesterday, that an exchange of diplomatic representatives between Canada and some South American countries was under consideration.

He mentioned particularly Brazil and Argentina as "a good guess" when questioned which South American countries he had in mind. — Reuter.

ARANDORA STAR ALLEGATION

The Minister of Shipping denied in the Commons yesterday that the Arandora Star—the ship conveying internees to Canada and torpedoed by the Germans—was unsufficiently equipped with life-saving apparatus.

There were lifeboats for 750 and buoyant apparatus or rafts for 1,088, against a total of 1,569 persons on board. There were also 2,000 lifejackets. — British Wireless.

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TWO MORE TRAWLERS LOST

An Admiralty communique announces that the trawlers Drummer and Oswaldian have been sunk by enemy mines. — Reuter.

PALESTINIANS IN THE BRITISH ARMY

Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for War, in answer to a Commons question yesterday about the use to which the manpower of Palestine is being put, said Palestinians were eligible to enlist in various units of the British Army.

In addition to this, arrangements were now being made as the outcome of the recent decision to form a number of Palestinian companies as units of the British army. — Reuter.

LILY LANGTRY'S HUSBAND PASSES

The death occurred in England yesterday of Sir Hugo de Bath, second husband of the late Lily Langtry, the celebrated actress. — Reuter.

UNTIMELY DEATH OF A.G. BOTELHO

THE DEATH OCCURRED AT THE CANOSSA HOSPITAL THIS MORNING, AFTER A SHORT ILLNESS, OF MR. ARNALDO GUILHERME BOTELHO, SECOND SON OF THE LATE P. V. BOTELHO AND MRS. MARIA ROSELLO BOTELHO.

Born in Manila in 1904, and educated at St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong, he matriculated at Hong Kong University in 1921, from which he graduated in 1925 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

At the time of his death he was managing partner of the firm of A. G. Botelho and Company, and was Acting Consul for Ecuador in Hong Kong.

The late Mr. Botelho was of quiet and unselfish disposition. He made friends wherever he went, and was very much esteemed and respected by all with whom he came into contact.

His untimely death will be mourned by his widow, Beatrice (Trixie) and four children, his mother, his brothers Tony, Peter, Paul and John, and his sisters Maria, Carmen and Irene, with all of whom the deepest sympathy will be felt.

The cortege will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

WINDOW BREAKING CHARGE

John Hicks, 18, seaman, attached to one of His Majesty's ships, charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, with malicious damage to glass windows in Hennessy Road on Monday, pleaded not guilty.

It was alleged that defendant smashed the show window glass at No. 357 and No. 341, Hennessy Road.

Yeung Yat-cheung, salesman, of No. 357, Hennessy Road, in evidence, said that at about 11 p.m. on Monday, he heard the sound of breaking glass outside his shop. He ran out and saw a sailor running. Later, he informed the Police.

Defendant was eventually discharged owing to insufficient evidence.

BEER UP A PENNY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The price of beer has gone up one penny per pint in Great Britain as a result of the provisions of the Budget.

The penny rise included most types of beer, although a few rose "tuppence" per pint.

Meanwhile, the rumours regarding a forthcoming rationing of coffee were denied by the Ministry of Supplies. Large stocks of this commodity are on hand, it was stated, and its consumption is, on the contrary, being encouraged in order to decrease the demand for tea—Havas.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN TO HAVE A REST

It is understood that Mr. Neville Chamberlain hopes to leave the nursing home next Monday or Tuesday and is likely to take a short holiday before resuming his duties. — British Wireless.

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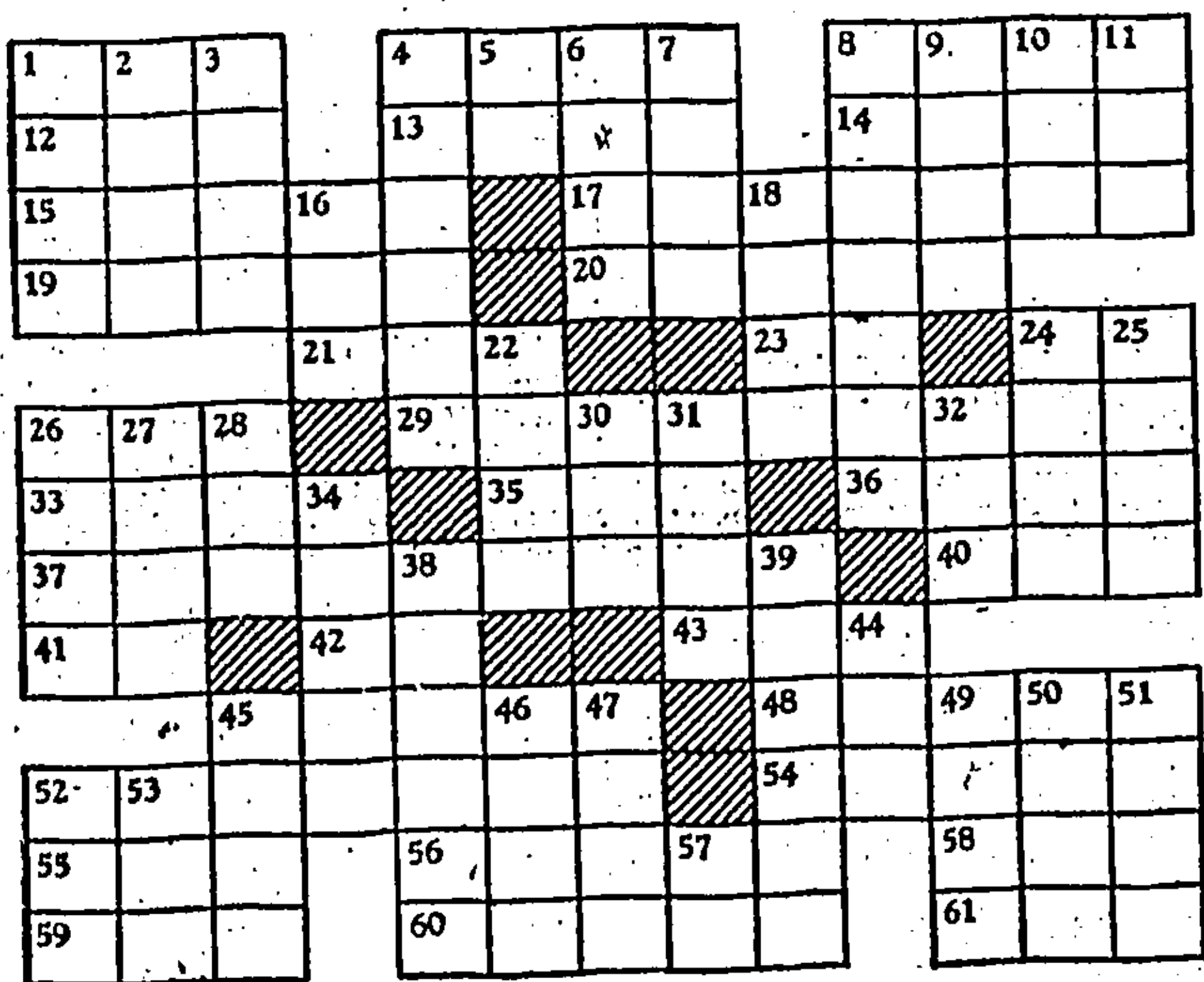
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- 4 Sand
- 8 To mend
- 12 Beverage
- 13 Japanese aborigine
- 14 Cry of Bacchanals
- 15 Raising implement
- 17 To scheme
- 19 To pretend
- 20 Foreign
- 21 To coagulate
- 23 101
- 24 Molten lava
- 26 Samoan mudworm
- 29 Reinforcing
- 33 Knocks
- 35 Poetic nightfall
- 36 Otherwise
- 37 Enigmas
- 40 Stripling
- 41 While
- 42 Teutonic deity
- 43 To bring forth
- 45 Biblical name
- 49 Gateway to a Buddhist temple
- 52 To disprove utterly

- 54 Wrathful
- 55 Japanese pagoda
- 56 Less common
- 58 To turn right
- 59 Siamese coin
- 60 Struck
- 61 Conclusion

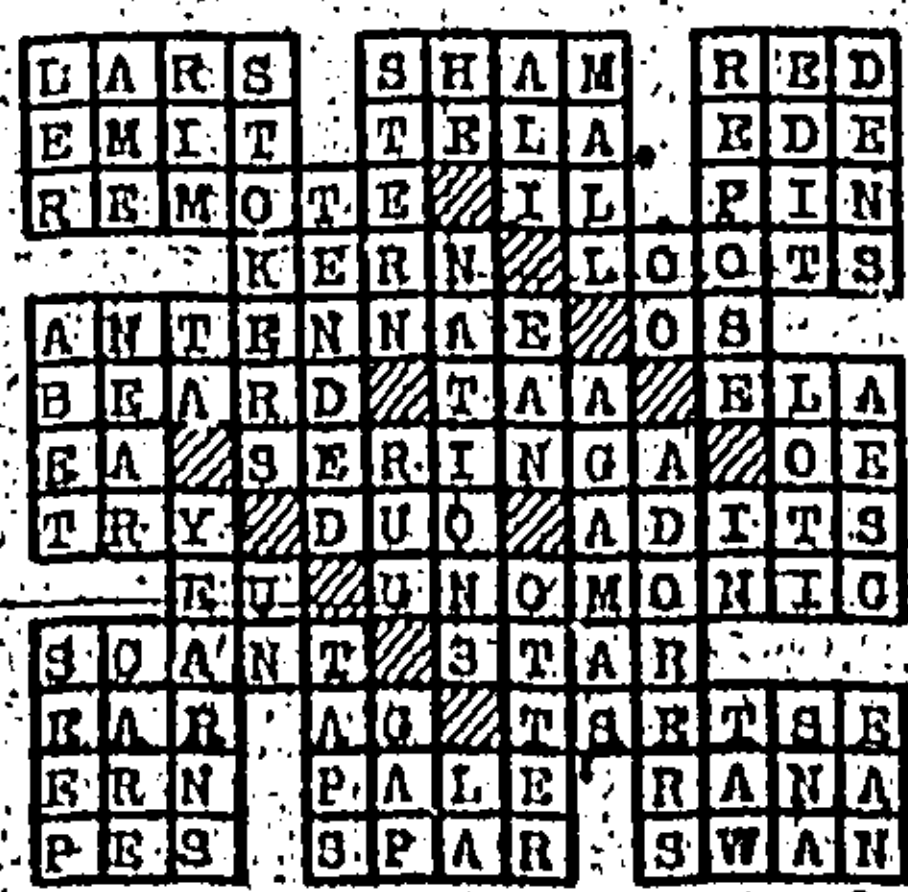
VERTICAL

- 1 Bovine
- 2 Toward the sheltered side
- 3 Son of Jacob
- 4 To accumulate
- 5 Japanese measure
- 6 Peruvian Indian

7 Utensil

- 8 To dupe
- 9 English river
- 10 Fabulous bird
- 11 To yield
- 16 Ovum
- 18 Mannerly
- 22 Amorous glance
- 24 Handle
- 25 Old
- 26 Girl's name
- 27 Compensates
- 28 Goddess of agriculture
- 30 Garland
- 31 Arrow poison
- 32 Sick
- 34 To pilfer
- 35 Mistakes
- 39 Parody
- 44 Conjunction
- 45 Row
- 46 First man
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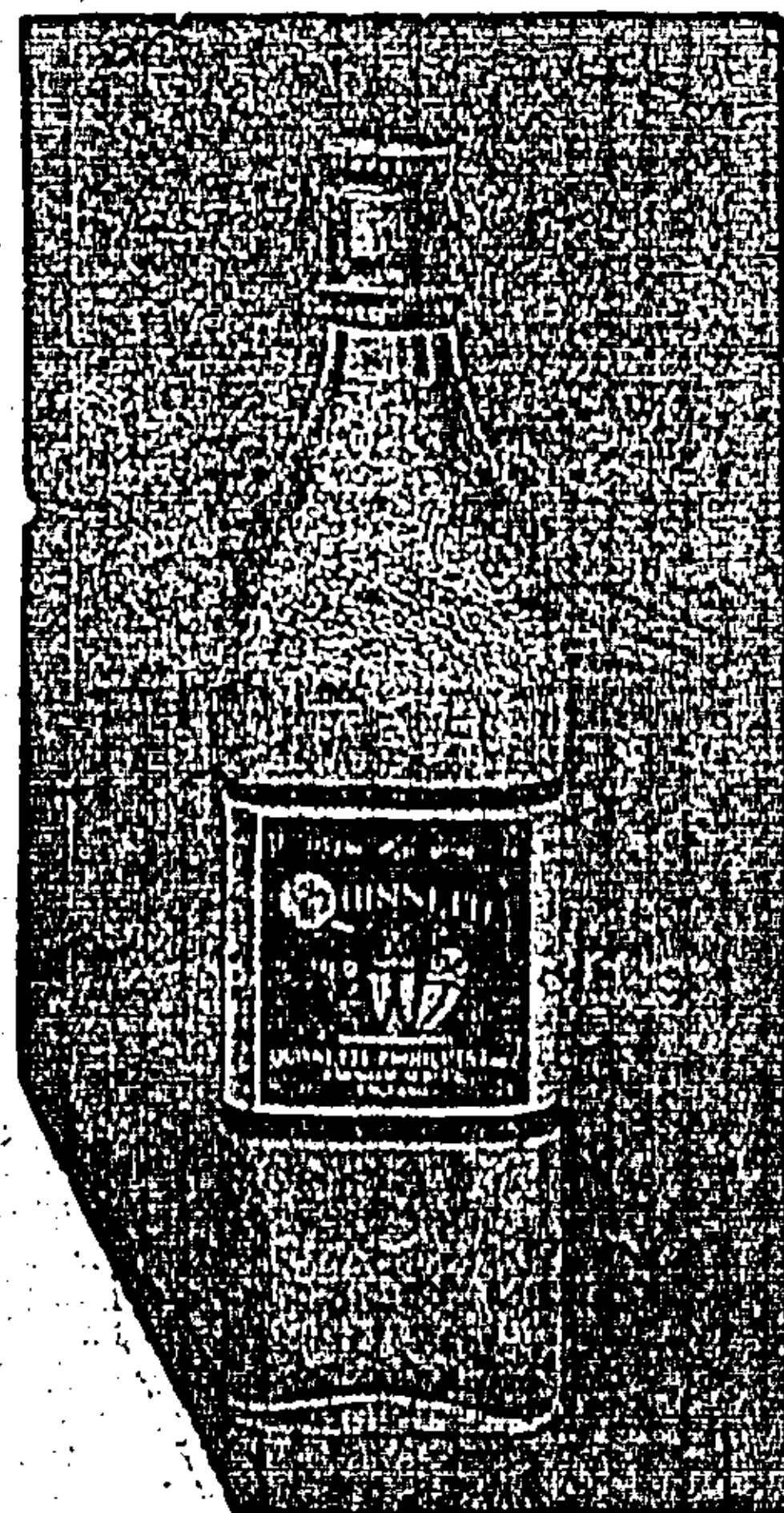
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ZEALOUS HASTE IN INTERNMENT ADMITTED

THE QUESTION OF THE INTERNMENT OF ALIENS IN GREAT BRITAIN WAS RAISED IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS YESTERDAY.

Replying to criticisms, the Duke of Devonshire pointed out that the decision to intern all aliens was made at a time of extreme difficulty and gravity and therefore in some haste.

Although he regretted the decision he believed that at the time and in the circumstances it was inevitable, but the moment of our greatest difficulty had passed.

The danger of invasion was postponed but the expeditionary force had been re-equipped, our strength had been very greatly increased and he hoped it would be possible from now on to pursue a more liberal policy towards "these unhappy people."

The Home Secretary hoped to bring about a steady improvement in conditions in internment camps and secure the release of those involving no danger to the country.

Government was fully aware of the unfortunate position of many of these unhappy internees and everything possible was being and would be done to improve their lot.—Reuter.

KULTUR STIRS R.A.F.

The changed attitude of his men because of the way the Germans treated one of their comrades was described in London yesterday by Squadron-Leader Donaldson, D.S.O.

He said that two R.A.F. planes collided off Dunkirk. One Flight-Commander escaped and was sent home on a ship, which was torpedoed.

Hundreds of people were in the water, and the Germans machine-gunned them.

When the Flight-Commander called "Help!" the Germans turned a searchlight on him and shot him dead.

"This made a tremendous change in my squadron," said Donaldson yesterday. "Up to then, they had looked on their work as fun, but when they learned of this, they were determined to do everything in their power in revenge."

Because of that one incident, he said, the Germans have suffered very much worse than they might have.—Reuter.

EAST AFRICAN ECONOMIC WAR COUNCIL

An East African Economic Council is being formed to represent Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, Rhodesia, Zanzibar, and Nyasaland in order to co-ordinate economic and commercial policy for war purposes and to enable speedy and victorious action to be taken in comprehensively planning the production of war necessities and the marketing of surplus produce.

The territories will be invited to attend the Imperial Economic Conference at Delhi in October.—

CASUALTIES OF THE NAVAL WAR

The Admiralty announce that one officer and 10 ratings were killed and three ratings wounded in H.M. trawler Crest Flower, the loss of which has already been announced.

One rating died of wounds and four ratings were wounded in H.M. destroyer Brazen.—Reuter.

PURCHASE TAX BATTLE

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Mr. J. S. Priestley and Mr. G. Faber addressed a meeting of over 100 M.P.'s in the House of Commons last evening in opposition to the inclusion of books in the Purchase Tax proposals.

Afterwards an amendment was tabled to omit books from the provisions of the tax.

This is supported by a large number of members of all parties.

In addition, Commander Stephen King-Hall and Sir Stanley Reed have put down an amendment to omit Bibles from the tax.

Commander King-Hall, while urging the exclusion of Bibles on principle, contended that the yield in taxes would be negligible and its impositions would severely handicap people who print Bibles as they are already sold at almost cost price.—Reuter.

MACHINERY FOR CONDUCT OF THE WAR

Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, said in the House of Commons yesterday that Government was fully alive to the importance of the objects inherent in the suggestion there should be a joint Allied Council for the prosecution of the war.

Existing arrangements for co-operation and consultation between the Government and other governments and organisations fighting with Britain against the enemy were, however, fully adequate for dealing with all questions concerning the prosecution of the war.

He did not, therefore, see any advantage in setting up machinery for the purpose.—Reuter.

'HIGHLANDER' MASTER DECORATED

Awards were announced in London yesterday to the Master and crew of the British steamer Highlander, hero of a recent German bombing attack in the North Sea in which the vessel brought down two Nazi planes, one of them falling on her own poop.

Captain William Gifford is given the O.B.E., Bert Whyman (fireman), George Anderson (Able Seaman) the O.B.E. and three others, including Miss Cockburn, stewardess, are commended.—Reuter.

TALBOT MUNDY PASSES

Talbot Mundy, the famous British novelist famous for his Indian adventure stories, died in Bradenton, Florida, yesterday.

Of his many books, "King of the Khyber Rifles," "The Eye of Zeitoon" and "The Nine Unknown" were perhaps the best known.

Although English (he was educated at Rugby), Talbot Mundy lived in South Manchester, Connecticut, U.S.A.—Reuter.

SUEZ CANAL ASSETS IN NO DANGER

Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared in the House of Commons yesterday that the assets and reserves of the Suez Canal Company held in Paris were in French francs and could not therefore add to the enemy's external resources.

A great part of the company's assets and reserves, however, were held in the United Kingdom and the United States and were, therefore, locked under the general measures taken by the British and U.S. Governments.

He understood the question of current fees was being left in abeyance so far as the British directors were concerned.—Reuter.

WAITING ON BRITAIN

A TOKYO DESPATCH SAYS THAT THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. MATSUOKA, TOLD THE CABINET YESTERDAY THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS COMMUNICATED TO BRITAIN JAPAN'S STAND ON THE ARRESTS OF JAPANESE NATIONALS.

The Japanese Government is now waiting for the British reaction, he continued, after which "appropriate action will be taken."—Reuter.

BRITISH PLEDGES IN EUROPE

The Lord Privy Seal in the Commons yesterday gave an assurance that the British Government would not enter into any permanent obligations on the continent of Europe without full consultation with the Governments of the Dominions with which, he added, they had maintained and would continue to maintain the closest touch on all aspects of foreign policy.—British Wireless.

EIRE CENSORS CARDINAL HINSLEY

THE EIRE CENSOR HAS SUPPRESSED CERTAIN PASSAGES IN SUNDAY'S BROADCAST BY CARDINAL HINSLEY (ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER). THE BROADCAST WAS TO THE TROOPS AND AMERICA.

Cardinal Hinsley attacked the Nazi creed of racialism and said that neutrality of heart was impossible in this struggle.—Reuter.



AGAINST TYRANNY

The warning that Germany's air force has done little more hitherto than carry out reconnaissance flights over the British Isles and by Mr. Winston Churchill that the delay in launching the Blitzkrieg must not be construed to mean that it will not be launched are both timely.

Hitler is a victorious Dictator, the master of Europe, and he is unlikely to be denied now for want of the effort to achieve his aims.

Britain does not quake at the prospect because minds have been thrown back to the past and it is realised that grave as the position is, this is not the first time England has stood alone against tyranny.

All the other nations of the continent were Napoleon's vassals; his sway was undisputed and he seemed invincible; but his downfall—after ten long years of warfare—occurred just 125 years ago. How far will history repeat itself?

A number of parallels occur to thought as Herr Hitler attempts what Napoleon could never accomplish—the invasion and defeat of England. Britannia is still mistress of the seas. European ports are still blockaded, just as they were in Napoleon's day. The Reich-Soviet treaty of non-aggression is tantamount to the famous Treaty of Tilsit which Bonaparte and Alexander signed on a raft in the middle of the Niemen River in June, 1807. This removed the Russians as Napoleon's foes.

Governments changed in Napoleonic times, too. Britain swung from Pitt to Addington, back to Pitt, and on to still others during the years from 1805 to 1815, the days of the First Empire. There were charges of muddling even then—of lack of foresight, stupidity.

Napoleon's vassals rose in rebellion, formed new armies, frequently attacked him; to-day the opportunities for revolt and rearming on the continent obviously are limited, since transportation and communication facilities are so highly perfected. Still, there remain Africa and the British Isles as bases for the building of an overwhelming force to overcome the aggressors.

While Hitler, like Napoleon after Trafalgar, has no fleet, he has a powerful aviation arm, and the threat to British naval bases from this source is for's heel.

Before this war broke out, most people in England thought that once war began London, Berlin, Paris and nearly all the important cities of all the belligerents would be immediately destroyed by air raids. Mr. H. G. Wells, whose "OUTLINE OF HISTORY" has been translated into Chinese and become a very popular book throughout China, prophesied in his "THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME" that this second Great War would reduce all the capitals of Europe into ruins during the first few days of the conflict.

In 1938, when Czechoslovakia was threatened by Germany and there was every indication that Herr Hitler meant business, England began to realise that she herself could not possibly avoid being entangled in the whirlwind. Before Mr. Neville Chamberlain went to sign the "peace" pact with Herr Hitler in Munich, everybody felt as if the day of judgment was fast approaching.

London, of course, is the most vulnerable city in England. It is the biggest city in the world, with a population of over 8,000,000 people. For the protection of the people, every man, woman, and child was given a gas-mask by the Government, and air raid shelters were being built everywhere. On the day of the signature of the peace pact in Munich I was due to speak in Swansea, a city in South Wales. But I was nearly late for the meeting because the station and the trains were packed with school children being evacuated from London, and I had to wait for a later train.

All the morning the atmosphere resembled that of New Year's Eve in China. Everybody was greatly excited, and trying to make a hurried and temporary conclusion of his business. The streets were full of people rushing to and fro. Provision stores were doing the best trade of the year. By the time I arrived at Swansea the news that Mr. Chamberlain had secured peace from Herr Hitler was announced, and everybody felt greatly relieved. Though many people said that this was not a real peace, the majority of the common people were happy and satisfied with Mr. Chamberlain's policy. My meeting, however, on account of the news, proved to be a failure. The auditorium was half empty, and the Chairman openly declared that he was greatly disappointed at the smallness of the audience, though he said he would not preach at those who came about those who did not come.

I think that under such circumstances it was only natural that people should not like to come to meetings to hear lectures. When the tension was high, and war seemed inevitable, I asked some of my friends what they were going to do, and their reply was invariably that at such a time it was impossible to do anything except go into a public house and have a drink. Now that peace had been temporarily secured, it was only logical that they should go into the public house again and have another drink!

The distribution of gas-masks to the public, the digging of air raid precaution trenches in public places, and the evacuation of school children were undoubtedly the best possible steps to protect the civilians in case of war. Though I have been through dozens of air-raids in China, and consequently can remain quite calm in an emergency, the people in England could not but be somewhat alarmed at the signs of coming invasion from the air.

very real. Yet Britain hopes, with its own air force plus replenishments from America, to combat what undoubtedly will be the most furious assault from the air that the world has yet witnessed.

Will Europe ever again be free? The answer must be, Yes. The downfall of force will come by force; for this is the very nature of force: to stir up elements which assure its own destruction. Europe to-day is too enlightened, too advanced, to remain quiescent under a dicta-

Stray Thoughts about The War

The reports in the papers about the destruction resulting from air-raids in Spain and China made them more nervous.

However, war was avoided in 1938. But last year, when the question of the Free City of Danzig and the Polish Corridor became serious, people once more felt the tension. By that time London was more prepared for air-raids than before, and a complete system of balloon barrages gave further protection to the more thickly populated parts of Greater London. If one approaches a balloon when it is on the ground it seems to be a huge monster. But when it is floating high up in the sky, among scores of others dotted high above your head, you think they look like a

By S. I. Hsiung,
(of "Lady Precious Stream" Fame).

number of silver fish, no bigger than your fist. To see them glittering in the mid rays of the sun, with the blue sky as a background, is one of the most wonderful sights for an artist.

Another war-time sight which I like is the London streets in the black-out. Since the declaration of war orders have been given that all buildings in the country must be blacked out so as not to show any light at all through their windows or doors. During the first few months the black-out was so complete that even the street lights were entirely put out, and the lights in buses and motor cars were so much dimmed that to walk in the busy London streets during the dark nights was a great adventure and a sensation. Trafalgar Square and Piccadilly Circus, the two places where normally you see illuminated signs displayed on every wall and every building, became two completely different places. Even now, when the re-

strictions on the lights in shop windows and in motor cars have been slightly lessened, to watch the busy traffic in those places during a dark night never fails to give me a much more comfortable feeling than when I see glowing electric lights everywhere around me.

I think the only really ugly things in London are the sandbags and the wooden boards which shop and house owners use to cover their windows and other openings in their buildings. The sandbags get dirty, worn out and broken, and the boards spoil the architectural beauty of the buildings. While paper strips pasted over the window panes present a variety of design, sandbags and wooden boards always look monotonous.

Apart from these outward signs, wartime London is not very much different from former days, except that you do not see so many children playing in the side streets. Before the British Government entered into war, large numbers of the school children were evacuated to places of safety. When the war started in China, I was there. Of course, the Government ordered that women and children should be evacuated, but our Government was not so rich as the British Government. In London, and in all other big cities, mothers and children were evacuated under a huge national scheme. You have heard about the wonderful organization of that scheme, which ensured its success, but perhaps you do not know that the people who received these children and their mothers deserve more credit than anybody else.

When the children arrived at their destinations, they were billeted by the reception committee to the homes of whosoever would take them. As the evacuation was done at very short notice, only in very rare cases had there been previous negotiations. The hosts and hostesses accepted their young guests good heartedly, and

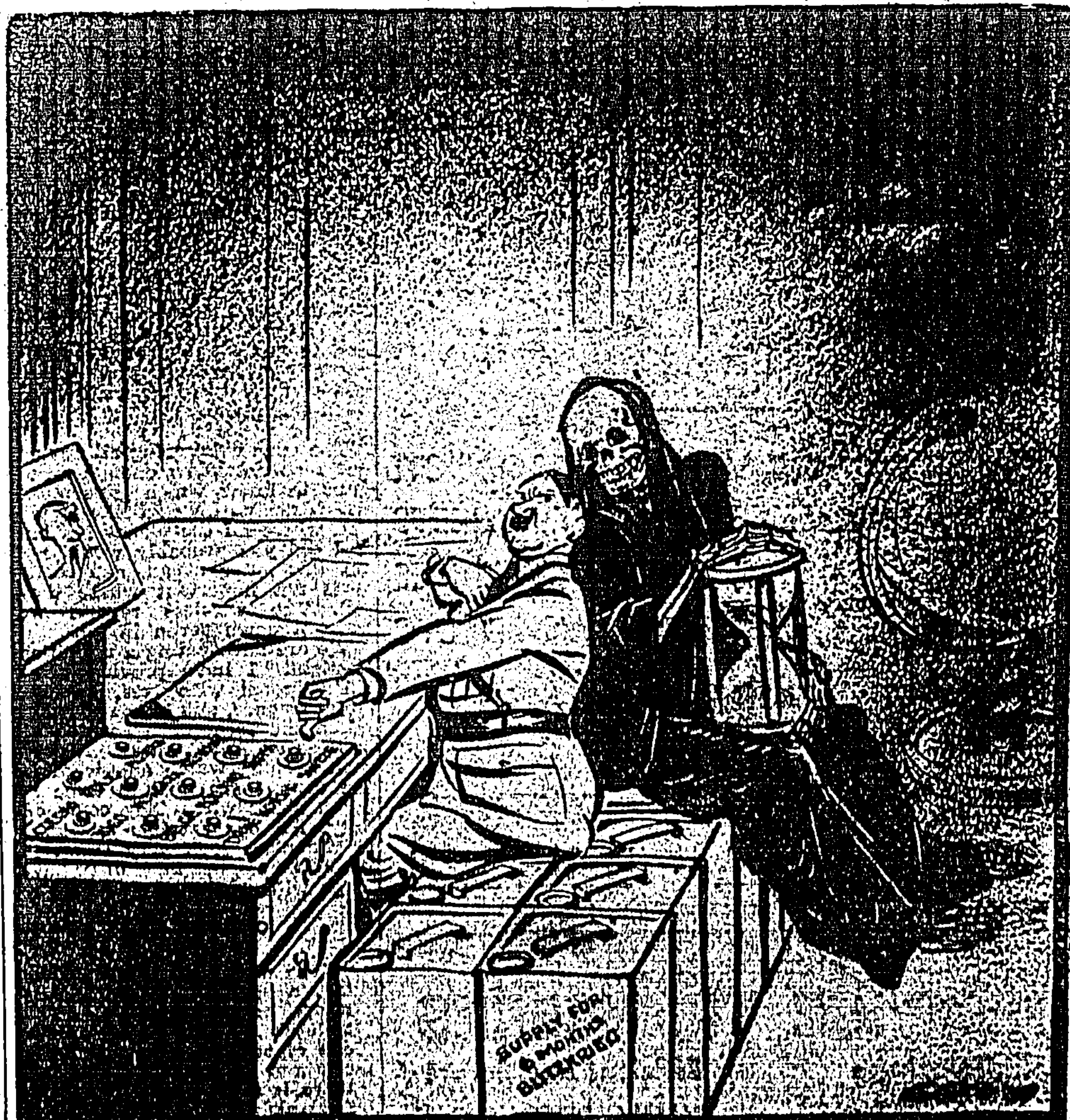
provided them with whatever they could to make these children happy and comfortable. In many cases a rich bachelor or spinster, who had never been used to having children with them, offered hospitality to boys and girls without having the least idea what kind of children they were. In an emergency like the present one they most willingly sacrificed their own comfort for the sake of the nation.

Many of the school children came from humble families in the East End of London, and they were sometimes billeted in rich and even aristocratic houses in the country. I know a milkman's daughter who found herself very happy in the home of a bishop, who was equally happy to have her. And, on the other hand, sometimes the hosts and hostesses were not rich people. The Government pays the sum of about ten shillings per week per child for food and lodgings. It is scarcely enough when the cost of living is so high. Yet there has been very little complaint and grumbling about it.

Education must never stop. If evacuation meant the interruption of education it would be fatal. So the school staffs and teachers have gone with the children. In many villages and country places it has been difficult to find empty buildings where the children could attend their classes. Where there are schools, it has been found that the best way is to let the London school share the classroom with the local schools. This often means one school having to use them in the morning, while the other school uses them in the afternoon, and the keeping of earlier hours in the morning and later in the afternoon. Then they also go to classes on Saturdays, so as to make up the time.

Big houses with spacious rooms are often willing to offer the services of their spare rooms. But in cases where no such rooms are available the school staffs and teachers have to rearrange their duties so that a certain teacher visits so many children a day. Under this arrangement, the children have to do a certain amount of home work, but when they are visited by the teachers they have more personal attention than they could have in a class.

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PLANES THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT: LETTER FROM EAST ANGLIA

WE HAD A LIVELY night last night. I was waiting for a call on the 'phone and as I had Julie sleeping in my room last night I did not go to bed for fear of the 'phone waking her, but sat on the window ledge in the green room and listened to a night-ingle and, I think one of your birds answering it. It was a most perfect moonlight night—you know how lovely the trees look. The moon was nearly as beautiful as the moon in Canada; there is something very clear in the air this year, writes an English-woman in the Eastern Counties.

I went up to bed and had just got to sleep when the doors started banging and the windows rattling, but as I had had no alarm sent me I could not collect myself to think what it all was. Another lot of banging went on and I saw a light under my door so I got up and had a word with Elizabeth. I sent her back to bed as I thought it was no use going out unless we had received the A.R. signal.

I got back into bed, prepared to sleep, and then another lot of banging and the signal, which shook the house. I immediately got up, went down to the A.R.P. room in the village. When I got down to the A.R.P. room I found Nicky's car parked outside; he was waiting with a collection of his men to take up their watch points. By this time the red signal had gone. I then went into the Rectory and made sure that the telephone was in order. There then being little or nothing to do I went and curled up in the car to doze.

The men have a room in the Rectory in which to doze and I have taken a certain amount of deck chairs down to the A.R.P. room so that I think everyone is best to rest where they can. However, the men refused to doze at first as they were far too interested in what was going on—as were most of the women. It was very still in the car and there was the "pleasant" smell of a pigsty to bring one to earth. There seemed to be just one continual hum, but presently banging and vibration seemed to make the car a little lively so, as I thought there was a lot of glass in the car (though I don't really suppose the Triplex would smash), I thought I had better go into the A.R.P. room.

SKY FIGHTING

I went along to the two points, i.e. A.R.P. room and telephone, and found everybody very cheerful. They reported having seen two planes crash. As I came across the Rectory the searchlights had got another one, it looked like a lamp in the sky as it was caught by the two beams, but that particular plane I believe was shot down further afield. I think he got away from our Spitfire, whose pilot had to "bale out" but who apparently escaped uninjured. Later two of three were reported killed from this plane.

The guns were going all around but I do not know enough about guns to know which guns make which noises. I would like to tell you where all the planes fell but if I did you probably would not get this letter at all, and really it is not important where they fell. The wireless reports we brought down seven in all.

We are anticipating a repetition to-night. I have provided the A.R.P. room with tea, biscuits, coffee essence, and bœuf à la mode so it has taken the form of a canteen as well as an A.R.P. room. Nicky's men keeping watch and ward in the district are glad to come in for a drink when they come off duty. All our specials belonging to the place look very smart in their tin hats, but most of us have to go without that protection.

CASUALTIES

It is now 11.30 in the morning, a perfect day, bees humming, trees and flowers all beautiful, and except for an odd one of our planes taking exercise one would hardly believe there is a war on.

Last night I had hardly got to bed before we were sent out again. There seem to have been German planes overhead at various hours of the night but their attention was turned elsewhere and a lot

of raiding seems to have gone on all over the country. I suppose they thought they had wrought enough havoc in this district the night before. "Fair Isle" apparently had shrapnel wounds, and two other of Lord Derby's horses and some cattle were killed. Mrs. Sharp's lodge windows were shattered. A street was demolished in Cambridge and people killed—as you will see by now in the papers.

To the intense annoyance of the Newmarket people bombs were dropped and holes made in the July course, so that settles the question of the Ascot Meeting. Shells fell near Mrs. Malone who is living in one of Lady Bullough's cottages. In fact that had "a real night out." Dr. Gray heard there was a plane down on the heath and went out to see if he was needed. Four shells fell near him, two on either side of the road. The plane was one of our own fighters and the pilot was not hurt but the other two killed. It was probably the plane our Cheveley-men had seen at one time chase a German plane and then drop.

WITH DAY COMES PEACE

The men were much more bored with the whole performance than they were on the first night, and they all curled up to sleep until the "all clear." As most of them are at work all day it is essential that they get some sleep at night. Personally I slept quite well in the car—though it was a little cramped—and felt quite annoyed when I was woken up to go home. The trouble about going home at 2.30 a.m. is that one is not sure that one won't get called out again later on. If one goes home somewhere about dawn one can more or less assume that the enemy are off on their way back.

I cannot go far away from here now because it is necessary for ambulance people to stand by day and night as far as possible. I have to do most of my library work at the moment by letter and 'phone. We are trying to evolve a system to provide as much rest for people as possible, especially where the people have to work all day, hay making etc. Knights will sleep in the house three nights a week, so that with the other A.R.P. worker who sleeps here that means there are three of us of the unit on the spot. There are shell holes behind Sam Darling's house. The woman in Mrs. Tharps' lodge was slightly injured but the leaded windows stood the strain well. None of the bombs seem to have been heavy ones or more damage would have been done. I assume that it was a trial trip.

Last night was a lovely night, wet and misty so we slept well. It is again a most perfect day, the little swallows have hatched out and the mares and foals in the round paddock make a very happy scene. Hugo is sitting up in his pram and the nurse is shelling peas. Nicky has just come in on a bicycle from touring his outposts where they are cutting down hedges to make gun-sights, so it is all a most astounding combination of war and peace. Really the atmosphere of the place is perfect peace in the day time, and war tension at night. I suppose we shall soon come to daylight raiding, which will present another series of problems.

SUPREME WAR COUNCIL PROPOSAL

Speaking in the House of Lords yesterday Lord Davis (Liberal) said a question he had on the paper had been postponed by request until Thursday.

The question asked Government "whether, following precedent in the last war, it was proposed to invite Ministers of the Dominions to participate more directly in the conduct of the war and to create a Supreme War Council which would include representatives of the British Commonwealth and India." — Reuter.

VICHY SABOTAGE

General Ayme arrived in Djibouti yesterday to take over the duties of commander of the French forces there from General Legentilhomme who is leaving with Governor Deschamps.

News reaching Aden shortly after the French collapse stated that General Legentilhomme had indicated his determination to fight on the side of the British. Shortly afterwards it was announced he had been removed from his post. — Reuter.

ITALIANS TRYING TO BOOST MORALE

REPORTS OF DAMAGE TO BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE OFFICIALLY DENIED IN LONDON.

These reports had it that Resolution was hit by a bomb and a British cruiser was damaged during an engagement off the Balearic Islands.

The Admiralty states that these reports are completely untrue. — Reuter.

INDIFFERENCE IN VICHY

A Foreign Office spokesman of the Petain government said in Vichy that France will not resign from the League of Nations, although her attitude is one of "indifference." France, he said, recognises the value of "certain technical services." — Associated Press.

LARGE SUM LOANED BY TEACHERS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The British National Union of Teachers has decided to lend the British Government £25,000 free of interest. — Havns.

VICTORY SERVICE

Lord Caldecote, Dominions Secretary, presided at a Service of Intercession for Victory in London last evening. The Chaplain-General of the Forces and Mr. Ernest Brown, Secretary for Scotland, were also present. — British Wireless.

KILLED BY LORRY

A five-year-old Chinese girl was killed yesterday morning when she was accidentally knocked down by a military lorry in Po Kong Village Road, Kowloon City.

JAPAN IN 1940 PURSUES ENDS OF 1914

POLITICAL OBSERVERS are re-examining to-day Japan's actions in the last European war in an effort to chart her probable course during this one.

The end, they assert, is the same—to establish herself as the dominant power in the western Pacific, from Siberia to Australia. The means of pursuit are only slightly different. In the world war, Japan:

1. Joined the Allies, and made a clean sweep of German possessions in China and the South Seas.

2. Presented to China the famous Twenty-one Demands, designed to consolidate her position in Manchuria and Mongolia, to provide special influence in Shantung, to obtain important economic rights in the Yangtze valley, to control Chinese harbours and coastal areas, and in general, to give her complete economic and political supremacy in China.

ASSURED ASIATIC POSITION

3. Concluded a semi-secret pact with Great Britain, wherein the two countries agreed to divide between them the Pacific islands formerly belonging to Germany, with the equator as the line of demarcation.

4. Signed treaties with each of the Allies which virtually obtained recognition of the territorial claims Japan ultimately made at Versailles.

That was Japan between 1915 and 1918. Her effort largely successful, was to establish herself in a firm position on the Asiatic mainland. External conditions already paralleled those existing to-day. Then, as now, her European competitors in China were too deeply engrossed in war to offer much resistance. Then, as now, the United States assumed the role of Japan's major opponent.

Observers regard Japan's action to-day as merely an extension of the cycle launched in 1915. So do many Japanese. They speak of "the golden opportunity." In a recent address, the Minister of War asserted that, "Japan's policy of non-intervention does not mean standing with folded arms."

SEIZES 'GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY'

On a larger scale, Japan is pursuing the same ends in 1940 as she was in 1914.

Her official spokesmen speak of an "Asiatic Monroe Doctrine." Some influential Japanese are preaching self-determination for all Oriental peoples—naturally including the Japanese, Burmese, Ceylonese, Indo-Chinese, and others who now populate European-held colonies. In short, an Asiatic constellation with Japan as the sun and a number of small satellites swinging around her.

Thus, Japan has seized the present "golden opportunity" to apply to the southern Orient the same policies that were employed in China during the last European war. She has:

1. Forged what is considered an iron-clad agreement with the Dutch East Indies' government guaranteeing continued access to the islands' oil, tin and rubber.

2. Brought about the suspension of trade between French Indo-China and China, placed warships in Indo-China waters and a military-naval inspection party in Indo-China territory, won the right to use Hanoi as a stop-over and cross Indo-China with a Japan-Siam airline.

CROSSES EQUATOR

3. Concluded a treaty of friendship with Siam.

4. Demanded that Great Britain close the Burma Road to China.

5. Completed military operations, the effect of which are to surround Hong Kong, the British Crown Colony.

Thus, Japan has already made her influence felt in areas south of the equator. The problem of consolidating these gains remains. To this end, she may openly join Germany and Italy—though not, it is believed, as a belligerent.

Closer relations with the axis powers depend, Japanese say, on the attitude of Germany and Italy to the Far Eastern colonies of France, Britain and Holland. If the axis shows signs of taking these territories for itself, then Japan, automatically will be in opposition to them.

THE CASE OF CAPTAIN RAMSAY

AT ITS FIRST MEETING IN LONDON YESTERDAY THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES, ORDERED BY THE COMMONS TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE DETENTION OF CAPT. RAMSAY UNDER THE DEFENCE REGULATIONS CONSTITUTES A BREACH OF THE PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE, CHOSE THE LORD PRIVY SEAL AS CHAIRMAN.

It is customary for the Leader of the House to preside over a committee of privileges.

It will be recalled that on becoming Premier, Mr. Churchill intimated it was his intention to lead the Commons as far as the exigencies of his duties elsewhere under war conditions permitted, and intimated that Mr. Attlee would act as Deputy Leader in his absence.

The committee, which will meet again next Tuesday, decided to call Sir Gilbert Campion, Clerk of the House of Commons, as first witness.—British Wireless.

TRAMWAY COMPANY SUED

AT THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING BEFORE THE PUISNE JUDGE, MR. E. H. WILLIAMS, FEI HANG GARAGE BROUGHT A CLAIM FOR \$231 AGAINST THE HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED FOR DAMAGE TO A MOTOR CAR AS THE RESULT OF A COLLISION WITH A TRAMCAR ON JUNE 13.

Mr. F. H. Loseby was for Fei Hang and Mr. P. Wynter Blyth, of Deacons, for the Tramway Company.

Mr. Loseby said a collision occurred at the junction of Canal Road East and Hennessy Road on June 13 at about 7.15 p.m., between tramcar No. 92 and public vehicle No. 267.

The motor car had just come out of Canal Road East, intending to travel westwards, while the tram was moving in the opposite direction.

The garage allege that the driver of the tramcar was guilty of negligence and that after the collision, a tram inspector ordered the tram to move with the bumpers of both vehicles locked thus causing more damage to the car.

Mr. Loseby said it was raining at the time. When the motor-car driver reached the junction of Hennessy Road and Canal Road East, he looked to see if the road was clear and found it so.

The case is proceeding.

REPRESENTATIONS IN SINGAPORE

The Japanese consul-general in Singapore, Mr. Toyoda, yesterday called on the Acting Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, regarding the arrest of Ishiro Kobayashi, Domei chief in Singapore.

He was informed Mr. Kobayashi was being detained under the defence regulations.—Reuter.

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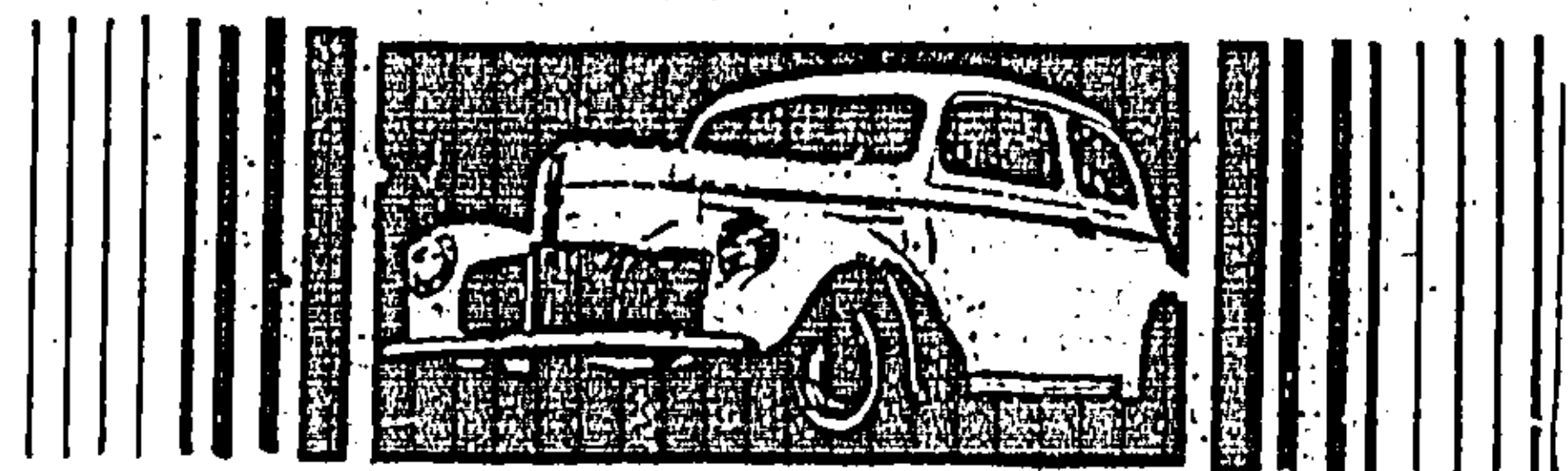
The invention of a powder which will extinguish incendiary bombs and which is produced from materials available in Britain in large quantities and manufactured in bulk was tested yesterday in the presence of a Home Office official. A steel container filled with thermite and an incendiary bomb was dealt with in a minute and a half. The powder will be available at something less than sixpence per pound.—British Wireless.

RHODESIAN TROOPS IN BRITAIN

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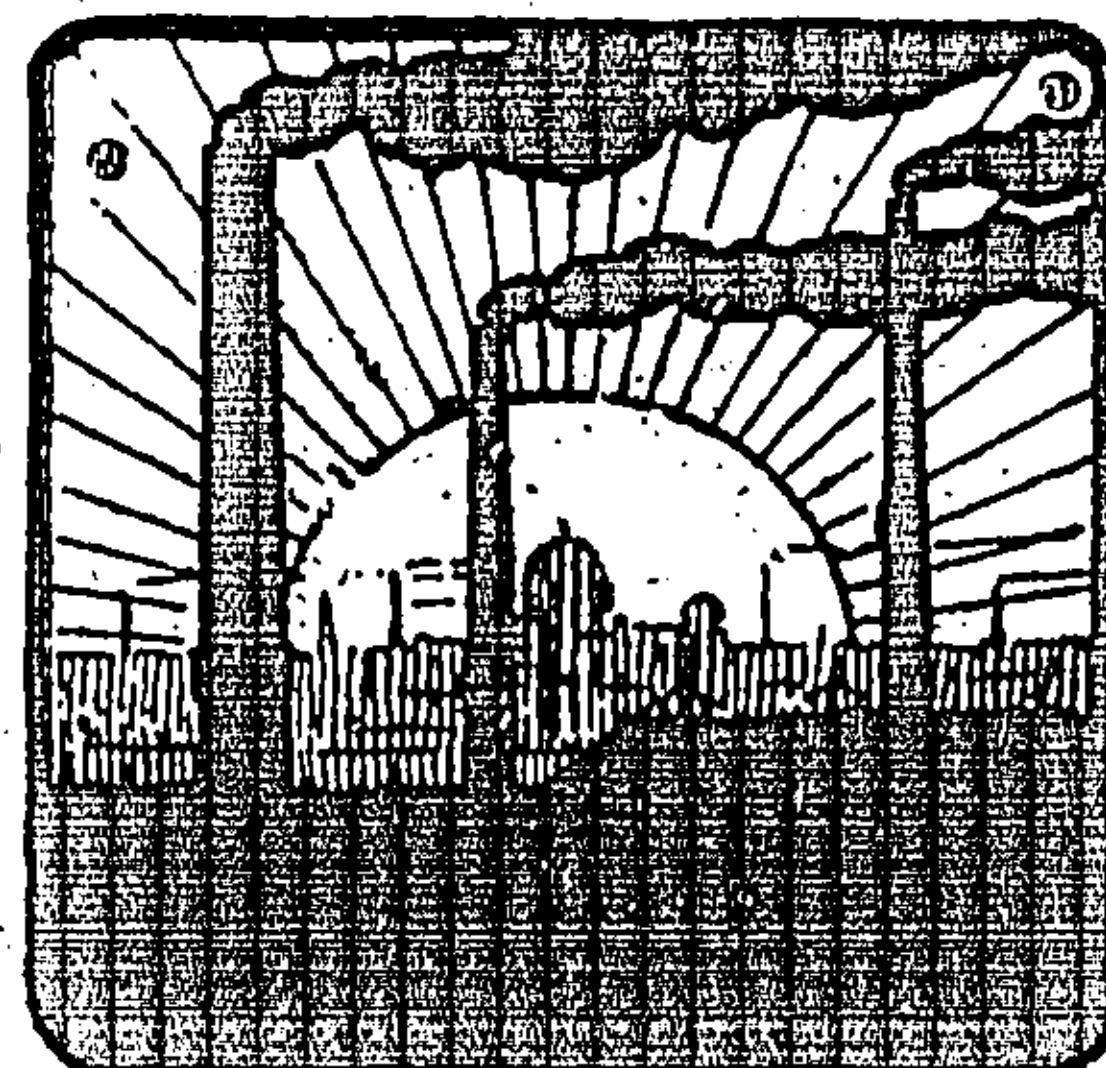


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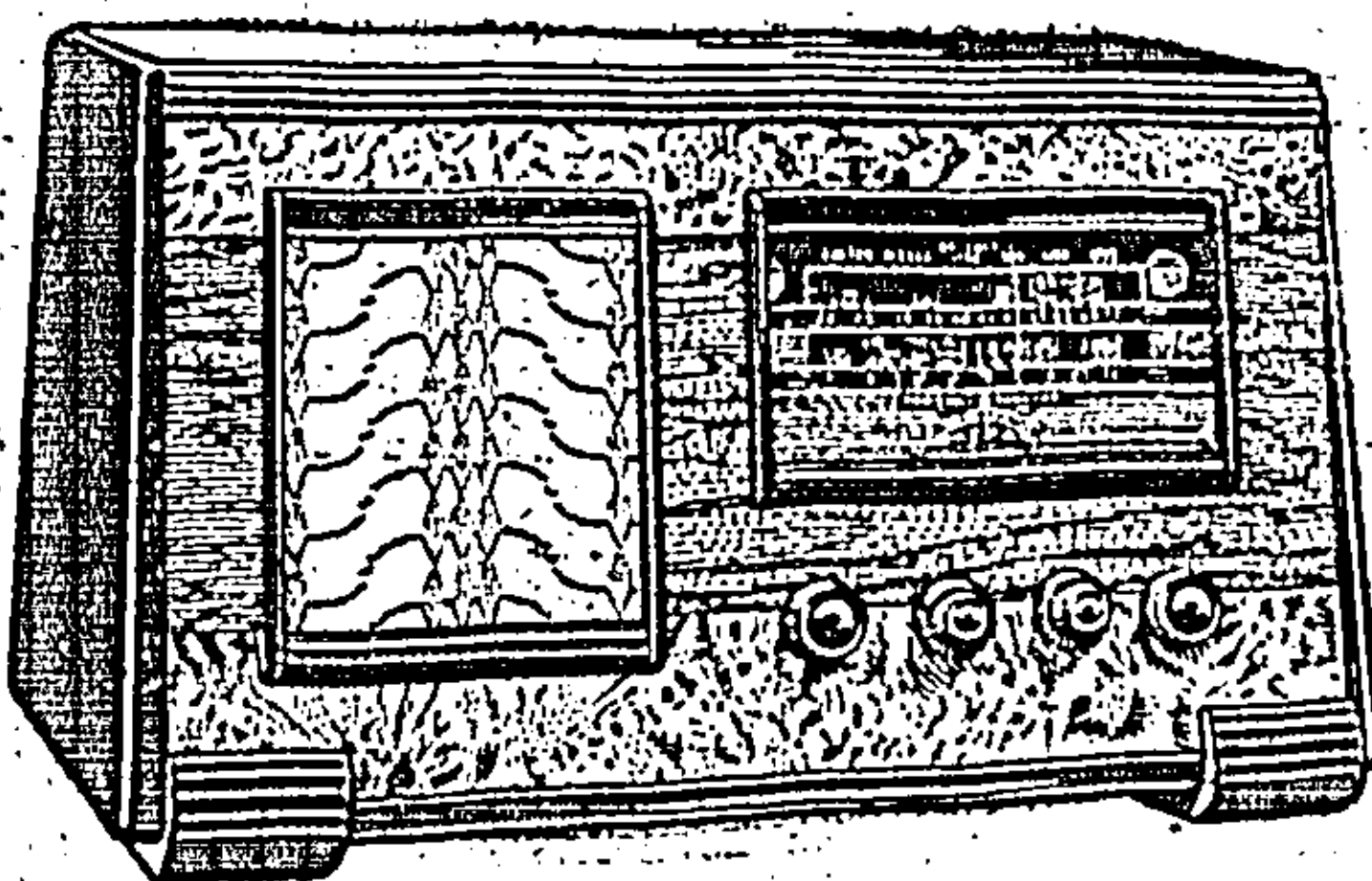
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North, Dealer

North-South vulnerable

♠ 8 2
♥ K 4
♦ A Q J 9 5
♣ K Q J 9
N
W
E
S
♠ K 8 4
♥ A Q 7
♦ 8 7 4
♣ A 5 3 2
A A Q J 10 9 5
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K 10 2
♣ 10

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

A contract of three no-trump could have been fulfilled, but South justly pointed out after the play of the hand that he was a Bridge player rather than a mind-reader. With his powerful spade suit and unbalanced hand, he naturally preferred the major-suit contract.

West opened the Jack of Hearts, dummy put up the King, and East took the Ace. He counted on making two hearts and a club, so knew the contract would be defeated if the spade King made a trick. Obviously that card would not win a trick if South were permitted to take two trump finesses, so correct defence consisted in preventing one of those finesses.

East therefore cashed the heart Queen and the club Ace. Then he led his last heart, forcing dummy to ruff. That left only one trump in the dummy, so Declarer had to yield the setting trick to East's King of spades.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ 7 3
♥ A Q 9 7 5 2
♦ K 8 5
♣ K 3

The bidding:

Maier	Jacoby	You	Burnstone
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	(?)	

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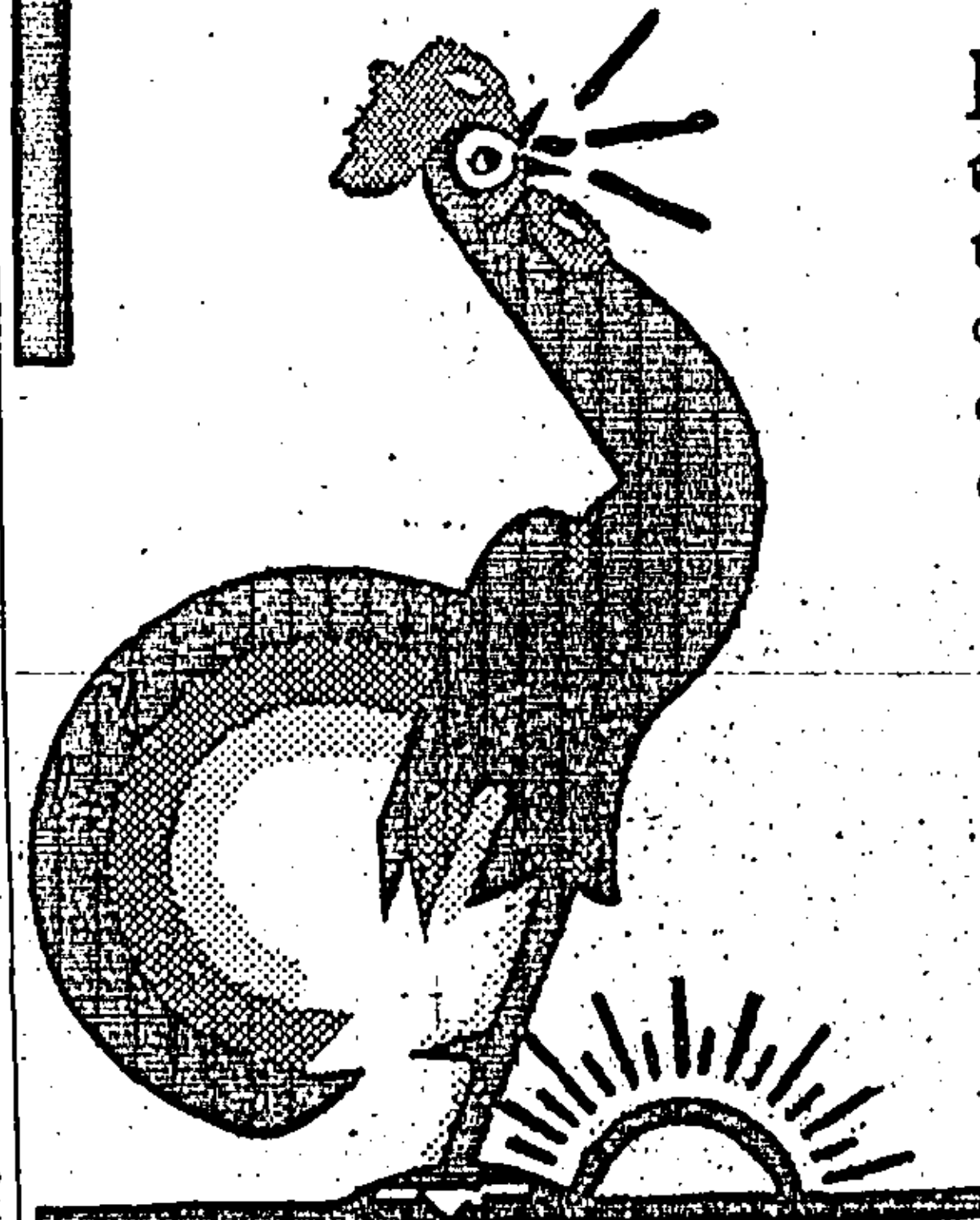
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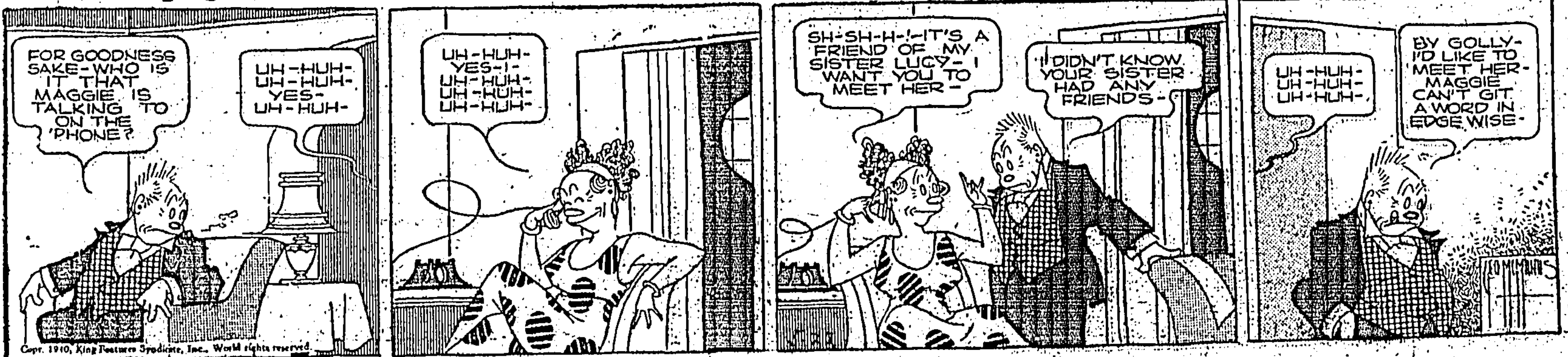
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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Are We Going Back To These?

Fashions do not follow each other in logical sequence. They are largely psychological and depend on the economic condition of the country and the mental development of the people. This last factor exerts a greater influence upon dress than most people imagine.

Immediately following the French revolution the thoughts of the people were concentrated on freedom both of mind and body, and it became fashionable for clothes to be worn, when conditions permitted, for the purpose of throwing into relief the outlines and contours of the body rather than as mere covering. The summer costume of a fashionable woman of the period had to pass two tests: its weight had to be no more than half a pound as against two and a half pounds of the present day. And it had to be passed through a wedding ring!

To make it cling to the figure and throw out the lines of the body, women damped this light costume before putting it on.

After the War of 1914-18, women in Britain experienced a degree of emancipation never before enjoyed, which resulted in dress becoming skimpier than ever, and to-day a reaction has set in. Gone are the simple lines. Dresses are becoming untidy and complicated, and it remains only for designers to accentuate certain parts of the body, as they did in bygone times.

During the bustle period dresses were designed to throw the posterior into prominence, and in the Middle Ages, when pregnancy was every woman's ideal, dresses were cut and padded to make the abdomen protrude, so as to give the desired effect!

None can see round the corner of the road of fashion which winds its way in the most inexplicable manner. Women are the illogical sex. They have taken from men the more pretentious role and often follow the most ridiculous examples. For instance, Queen Elizabeth was much admired during her reign because of her ivory complexion, which at a time when everyone worked very hard, was a sign of gentility and refinement. The wives of the great determined to emulate her, and in order to gain a similar pallor they consumed a concoction of ashes, gravel and tallow which some genius sold in fancy jars at an exorbitant price.

Famous persons, especially royalty, have been leaders of fashion since time immemorial. Unfortunately, they are so aped by the sycophantic that the fashions they set sometimes become ridiculous. James I was noted for his cowardice and lived in constant fear of assassination, and for this reason his clothes were heavily padded. Most of his courtiers, who had no reason whatsoever to fear a similar death, followed, with the result that during his reign the hideous padded doublet and bombasted breeches had an immense and unmerited vogue.

During his reign, too, society was so dissolute that influential men and women, rather than be recognised in doubtful company, affected masks. This fashion became universal in the highest society and women without masks earned the title of "barefaced."

Another member of royalty who originated a silly fashion was Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I. She was afflicted by a little stubborn sore on her face, which no

court doctor could cure. To hide the blemish she covered it with a small piece of black plaster. And that was how beauty spots began.

Very rapidly this fashion became ridiculous and to-day we have pictures of a woman of the period, her forehead painted with a coach and horses. A huge black spot adorns each cheek. Under each eye she wears a crescent and on her chin is a thick black streak. One cannot say to what lengths this would have gone, but for the timely action taken by the Countess of Bedford. She brushed aside the remonstrances of her chamberlain and helped to kill the absurd fashion by appearing at an important function in 1613 with a clean face. This was so strange

utterly disregarded by the empty headed.

Men's top-hats have no utility value, and became fashionable only because they were first worn by the Duke of Wellington, who was very short. His topper was more than two feet high!

Women have to be thankful to a small, dumpy man for their uncomfortable high heels. Louis XVI was overlooked by all his courtiers, a fact that made him feel somewhat inferior, and he was delighted when a courtier, trying to curry favour, suggested high heels on all his footwear, for this raised him almost on a level with normal people.

When a fashion becomes ugly or uncomfortable, there is always the

asks H. HARVEY-DAY

that a chronicler wrote, "She forebears painting which makes her look somewhat odd among so many vizzards, which with their spotted faces and frizzled powdered hair, makes all ladies look alike."

The present vogue of indiscriminate face painting, eyebrow plucking, and hair waving in sausage rolls and regular curls also has the effect of killing feminine individuality and casting all women in a common mould.

In hat designs, too, women have a tendency towards the ridiculous, as they had two centuries ago. Some went so far as to wear galleons in full sail on their heads, while society beauties in comparatively recent times have worn hats sprouting bunches of fruit and a variegated assortment of flowers.

Like the beauty spot, other fashions have also become popular because a monarch was either crippled or physically deficient.

Early in the present century we had the Alexandra Limp, a gait which became fashionable among silly women because Princess Alexandra, wife of Edward VII limped. The fact that she suffered severely from rheumatism, which caused this painful walk, was

hope that it will suddenly vanish through association with someone of ill repute or lowly station. During the last last century bloomers were fast becoming the craze when a certain famous owner of a number of hostels put all his barmaids into bloomers. That killed the fashion at once, for it would never do for society to be seen in identically the same clothes as girls who served behind a counter.

The wearing of nightgowns by day is happily, another habit that has ceased, for it was one of the most slovenly that ever took London by storm. Who started it, no one knows, but it became quite the thing for women to receive friends in their night dresses, or even make short calls so attired.

Then, one unfortunate female, having no other clothes, was hung in her night dress, and overnight society discarded the fashion. Ever since, only artists, writers and vagabonds dare live all day in their sleeping clothes.

One other fashion killed in this way was that of wearing huge ugly yellow lace cuffs and ruffles, which had started in Elizabeth's time, but had grown to enormous proportions during the reign of James I.

A certain Mrs. Turner a leader of fashion and the designer of the worst of such monstrosities, aided and abetted the Countess of Essex in poisoning Sir Thomas Overbury. While being tried and sentenced she appeared in her horrible yellow cuffs and ruffles, and Lord Chief Justice Coke, while passing sentence, thundered, "Not only has she been guilty of the seven deadly sins, but she is the inventor of the yellow starched cuffs and ruffs and I hope she will be the last to wear them." He ordered her to be hanged in them at Tyburn, and no respectable person ever appeared in yellow cuffs and ruffs again.

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TO-DAY'S WIRELESS

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) and the Orchestra Raymonds.

1.03 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"London". A somewhat mis-conducted tour of the Capital of the British Empire. Written and produced by H. L. Morrow.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Dance Music.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—An hour of Variety.—Billy Russell; Reginald Foort; Sandy Powell; Harry Chapman (Harp) and His Music Lovers; Frank Crumit; Grace Fields; Charlie Kunz; Joe Polarsen. Reginald Dixon, Jay Wilbur, Larry Adler, Primo Scala; Evelyn Laye; Vic Oliver versus Gloria Day; Frank Biffa & His Brass Quintette.

7.02 p.m.—Dance Music by Henry Jacques and His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.03 p.m.—The Columbia Symphony Orchestra.

8.10 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Music Hall Memories". A talk by George Robey.

8.25 p.m.—Old Music Hall and Variety Favourites.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

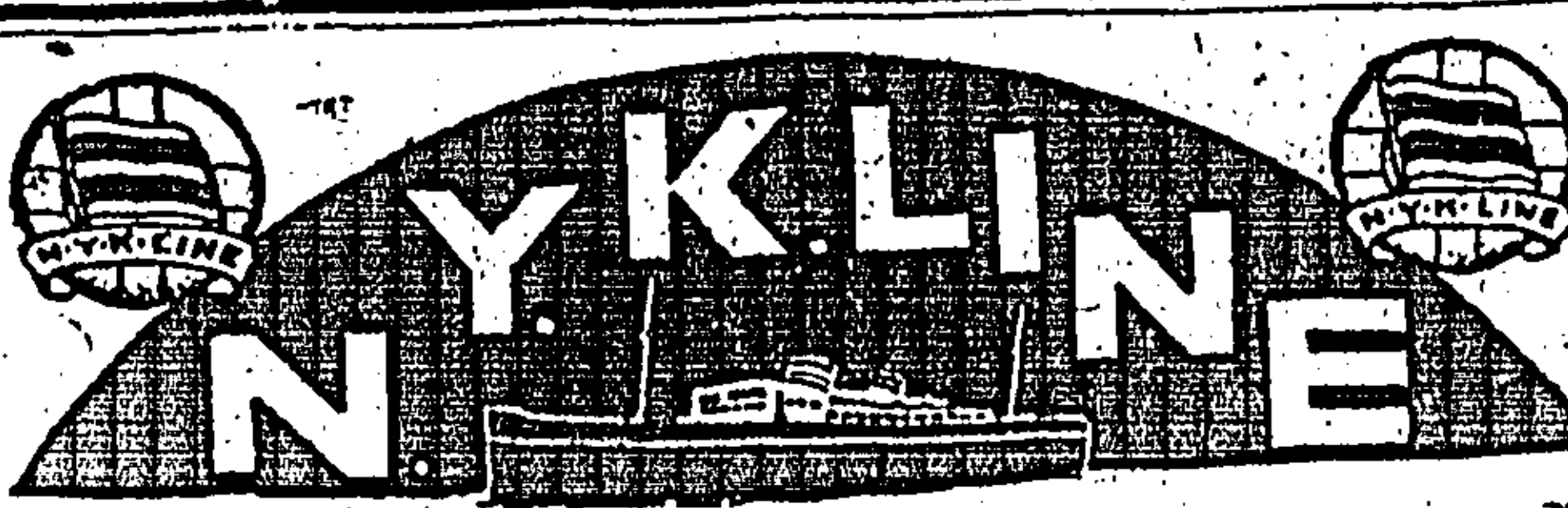
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Matters of Moment". Talk by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply.

9.45 p.m.—Mousorgsky—Pictures at an Exhibition. Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.

10.17 p.m.—The Don Cossacks Choir. Three Folk Songs (arr. Dobrowen). How Greatly Our Lord Is Glorified (Bortniansky).

10.27 p.m.—Dvorak—Quartet in E Flat, Major, Op. 51. Lerner String Quartet.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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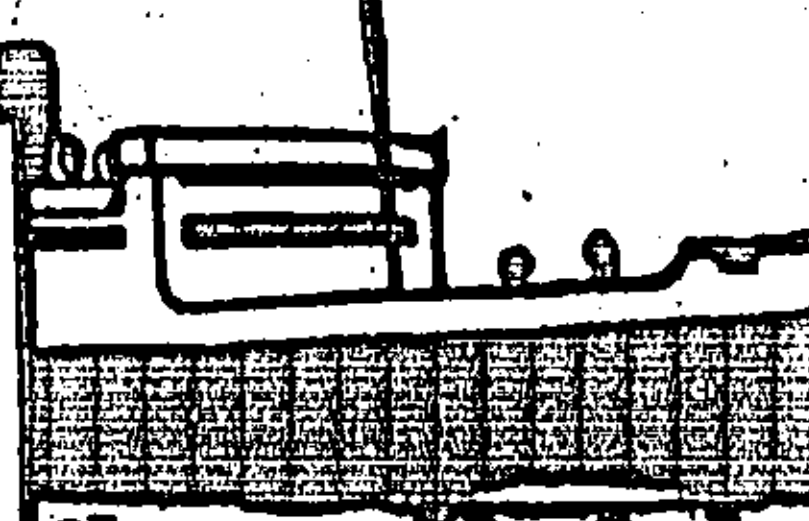
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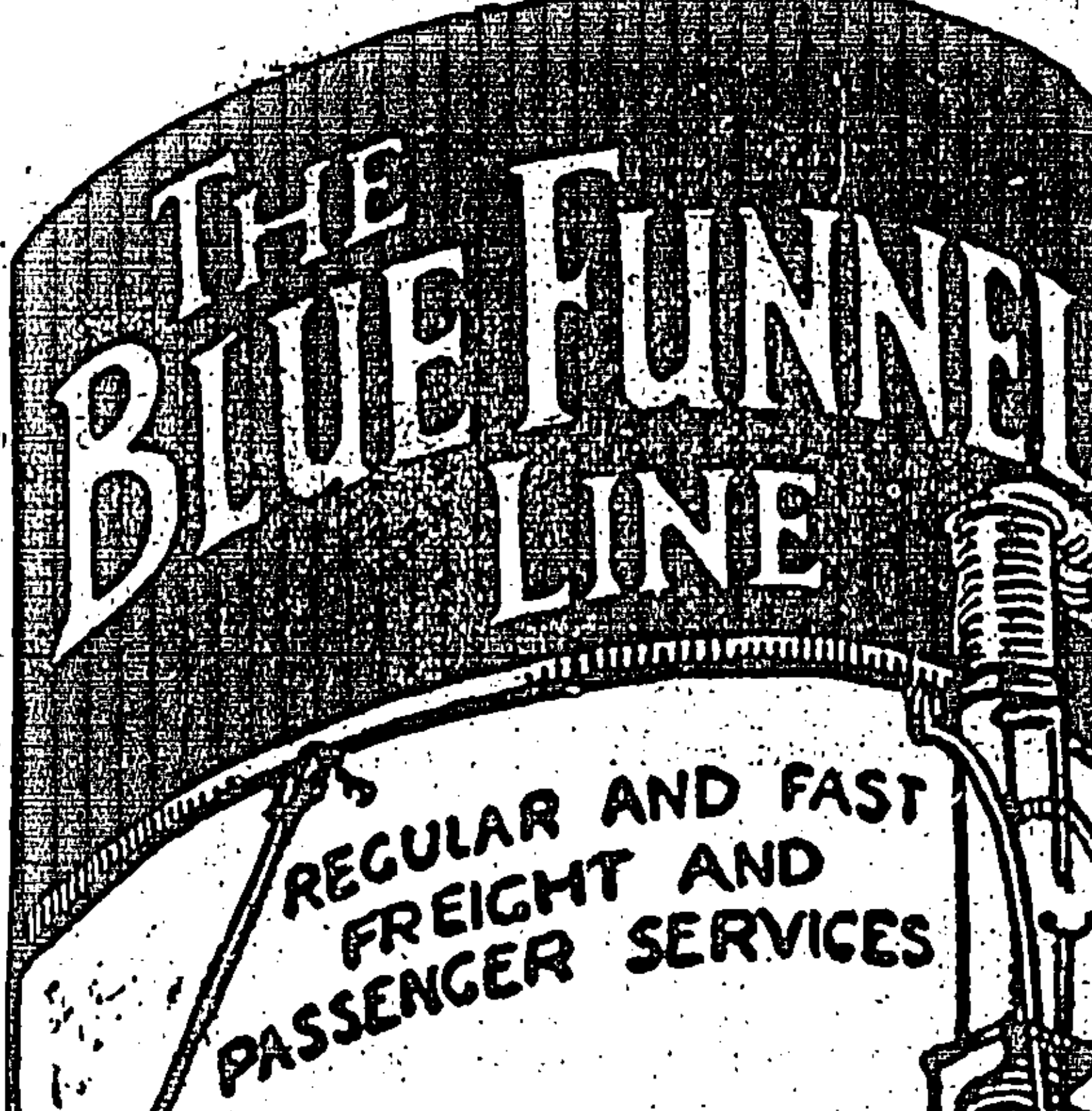
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Brewers Qualify For A Play-Off With The Mindanao SWAMP SOUTH CHINA IN POOR MATCH

By "GRANDSTAND"

IN THE LAST LEAGUE game of the season last Sunday Hong Kong Brewery staged their last merry-go-round to swamp South China 25 to 3 and make sure of meeting Mindanao in a play-off next Saturday.

Captain Harold "Babyface" Winglee, who was not taking any chances, fielded his strongest nine and the H.B. power-houses went on a batting spree, nipping hapless twirler Lau for 17 solid blows, which included triples by Zinho Gosano, Obeor Arculli, Stan Leonard and Madeen Arculli. Dave Leonard doubled twice and brother Stan once for the other long distance hoists of the tilt.

Brewers simply love to fatten their batting averages, or was it rubbing it into the unfortunate Leungmen, who worked themselves ragged against the Brewers' heavy bombardment. Not content with a 17-2 lead in the sixth frame Brewers rallied with eight tallies in the sixth on six hits. The heavy barrage of hits by the Wingleemen must have bewildered the Nam Hwa

fielders who booted 13 chances against H. B.'s six.

Arculli Good

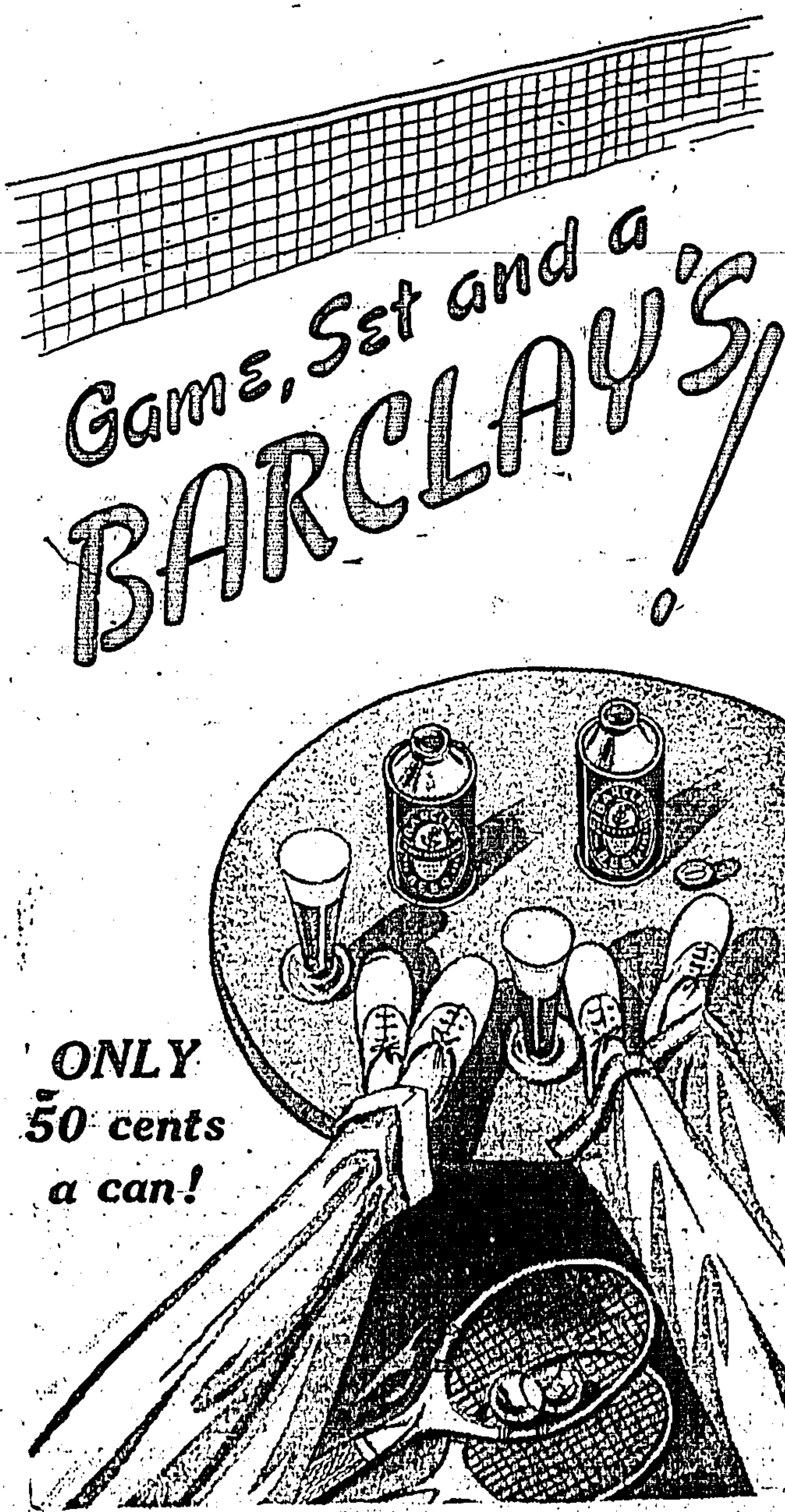
Madeen Arculli was on the pitching slab for H. B. and blanked the Chinese in five innings and allowed only three hits during his stay on the mound.

George Souza hurled for the remaining two cantos. Although he yielded no hits three Nam Hwa runs came in on walks and errors.

Stan Leonard led the batting parade with four hits at four times to the pan. Shortstop Yip, second baseman Kwan and backstop Bob Law were the only ones to connect for South China.

	R.	H.	E.
H.B.	25	17	6
S.C.	3	3	13

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LEAGUE TENNIS

TIMES FOR GALAS RE-ARRANGED

Swimming enthusiasts will be pleased to learn that thanks to the fine spirit of co-operation of all concerned, it will now be possible to watch both of the big swimming galas on Saturday.

The "China Mail" was informed this morning that the "Y" gala, originally down for 9 p.m., has been brought forward to 7.30 p.m., while the V.R.C. gala has been put back half an hour and will now start at 9.30.

C.R.C. JUST BEAT THE WEATHER AND K.C.C.

Poor conditions underfoot and a periodical fine drizzle culminating in a fairly heavy downpour, did not prevent Chinese Recreation Club from securing a decision in their "B" Division match with Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday at Cox's Road.

Winning all three first-round sets, C.R.C. just managed to win two of the three second-round sets before the rain came down and washed out all prospects of further play. At this stage Frank Grose and R. T. Broadbridge were holding C. C. Luk and P. F. Tsoi, the scores being 3-1 but, in view of Broadbridge's inclination to be erratic, it is unlikely that the home pair would have won on Grose's efforts.

Promising Debut

N. Llewellyn, playing in his first game for K.C.C., gave a very useful display, his chopped groundstrokes and volley being quite sound and his courtcraft adequate. Together with Fisher, the "C" team captain, who also did well, Llewellyn was rather unfortunate in not beating Ho Ka-lau and Lu Tak-lam, the former, runner-up in the Colony doubles championship last year. After being led 4-1 and 5-4, however, the experience of the C.R.C. pair made itself felt and they won the set at 7-5.

Capell, hitting much harder than usual, was far more impressive but received little support from MacKay in his first set. The latter served no fewer than seven double-faults in two games. The C.R.C. players were as reliable as ever, making very few mistakes either off the ground or on the volley.

F. Grose and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.) lost to S. W. Wong and D. C. Luk 2-6
N. A. E. Mackay and R. S. Capell (K.C.C.) lost to K. C. Luk and P. F. Tsoi 0-8
lost to K. L. Ho and T. L. Lu 4-6
N. Llewellyn and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.) lost to Wong and Luk 1-6
lost to Ho and Lu 5-7

ONLY THREE SETS

The "B" Division match at Kowloon Tong between K.T.G.C.A. and Army Tennis Club was discontinued after three sets had been completed, rain interfering with further play.

League Table

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Sets	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	5	5	0	0	38 1/2	6 1/2	10
C.D.R.	7	5	0	2	33	30	10
K.T.G.C.A.	4	4	0	0	28 1/2	7 1/2	8
C.R.C.	5	4	0	1	32 1/2	8 1/2	8
C.C.C.	3	2	0	1	17 1/2	9 1/2	4
A.T.C.	4	2	0	2	19 1/2	16 1/2	4
K.C.C.	6	1	0	5	13 1/2	36 1/2	2
H.K.C.C.	3	0	0	3	5 1/2	21 1/2	0
I.R.C.	4	0	0	4	9 1/2	26 1/2	0
C.S.C.C.	5	0	0	5	5	40	0

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

The following is to-day's "C" Division League tennis programme:—

A.T.C.	v	H.K.P.S.A.
C.D.R. "A"	v	H.K.U.T.C.
C.R.C.	v	C.B.A.
K.T.G.C.A.	v	C.D.R. "B"
K.I.T.C.	v	J.R.C.
K.C.C.	v	S.C.A.A.

WOODERSON FAILS BADLY IN WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT FOR CHARITY

BREAKNECK START RUINS CHANCES

SYDNEY WOODERSON was over three seconds outside the British record for 1,000 yards in his run at Manchester last month and nearly five seconds slower than the world's best, writes H. M. Abrahams, from London.

His time was 2min. 14.6sec. as compared with the British record first half-mile in 1min. 54sec. of 2min. 11.2sec. set up by Cyril Ellis in 1920 and 2min. 9.7sec. accomplished by E. Robinson, of U.S.A., three years ago.

speed of 14 1/2 sec., a pace which would, if it were humanly possible to maintain it, have produced about 2min. 1sec. for the whole distance.

It is, of course, well known that as near as possible runners should compete at an even pace. The next 440 yards was covered at the proper speed (37sec.), but the last 440 yards was 6sec. slower.

I didn't see the run but the figures for the intermediate times, if accurate, present the obvious explanation for Wooderson's failure—that ridiculously fast start.

That First 120

Maybe absence of opposition and lack of first-class competition will be suggested as an excuse for the result but I've no doubt myself that the first 120 yards put paid to any new record this time.

Amazing Cards Returned By Little On Way To Title

AVERAGE OF 70 OVER 7 ROUNDS

STAR SHOTMAKERS in Toledo, Ohio, for the Inverness Invitational Four-Ball agree no one ever more richly deserved the United States Open crown than Lawson Little, writes an American correspondent.

The handsome chap who came down in front at Cleveland's Canterbury is the first leader of the nation's qualifiers to prevail in the championship.

Little launched his title drive in Chicago, May 27, when despite rain and mud, he broke the No. 4 course record at Olympia Fields with a 65. He followed that with a 69 on the No. 1 course for a total of 134.

Little played seven rounds for the Open title—two to qualify, four in the championship proper and another to dispose of stout-hearted Gene Sarazen in the play-off. His total for these seven rounds was 491 strokes, an average of 70 1/7 and a total of 11 under the aggregate par.

Between the qualifier and the championship itself, Little played superbly in the Goodall Round Robin at Fresh Meadow, where he matched Ben Hogan's 66, which tied Gene Sarazen's course record.

One Match Each

Inasmuch as Little repelled Sarazen, 70-73, in the Open play-off, it is interesting to recall that Sarazen beat Little, 70-71, in their Goodall match.

Little was ready for the Open and saw it through, and it is a pleasure to see his striking figure in the Invitation Four-Ball at Inverness, a club entwined completely with the great sport and its background.

Inverness rocketed into worldwide fame with two of the more spectacular National Opens.

The first was in 1920, when Ted Ray took the trophy to England.

Billy Burke came along 11 years later to weather the historic and record 72-hole play-off with George Von Elm.

The 1920 Open saw the collapse of the immortal Harry Vardon after a brilliant display of golf.

Lost Touch

Starting with the second hole in the morning round of the final day, Vardon played 28 consecutive holes in 108 strokes, which is four strokes under even fours.

When the stylist came to the 12th green in the afternoon there seemed no possible way of his missing what would have been his final victory in one of the greatest records in the history of golf. But a high wind came up and the weary veteran lost his touch to finish the last seven holes in even fives—a tragic string of 6, 4, 5, 5, 6, 4.

Ray first made famous the No. 7 dogleg hole at Inverness by thrice driving the green.... a mighty carry of some 260 yards.... a tremendous wallop in those days and even now.

It was in this tournament that Robert Tyre Jones made his bow in the Open.

In the long parade of golf stars none have passed Inverness by, and it is fitting that Lawson Little takes his place in line... a champion.

ALICE MARBLE NAMES HER SUCCESSOR

Blond Muriel Magnuson, just 15, has been playing tennis for only five years but she already is on her way to the women's national singles tennis championship, writes Jerry Brondfield from Chicago.

Not this year, of course, and probably not next, but some day they'll measure her for the crown now worn by Alice Marble.

Authority for the prediction is Miss Marble herself, backed up by Eleanor Tennant, the veteran west coach tutor who brought Alice to the top of the heap.

Miss Magnuson, standing 5 feet 7 inches, first came into prominence in 1938 when she won the Minneapolis girls' crown. The following week she won the junior title in a division the age limit of which was 16.

Miss Magnuson followed that conquest by becoming the youngest senior singles titlist of any large city in the country.

TEACHER TENNANT TO GIVE MURIEL STROKES

The Misses Tennant and Marble saw Miss Magnuson for the first time a few days ago in Minneapolis, when the youngster watched Miss Marble perform and attended a clinic conducted by Miss Tennant.

"It didn't take me 10 minutes to realise this somewhat awkward, but extremely forceful girl was a future champion," says Miss Tennant.

"The most apparent thing about Muriel is her evident lack of coaching. She won her titles, mainly, I believe, by her athletic ability, unusual in a girl.

"She knows how to run... how to move her arms in co-ordination with her feet. She is loose and supple.

"All she needs is the strokes.

"I have taken Muriel in hand

WIMBLEDON COURTS FOR PIG BREEDING

Miss Nora Cleather, Secretary of the All-England Tennis Club at Wimbledon, announced recently that as tennis is "very quiet" at present, the staff of the club have decided to breed pigs. They are starting with two of the animals, and intend to increase their efforts should their trial prove successful.—Havas.

HAS CONSTITUTION FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY

Lack of coaching was the reason Muriel didn't get any too far in the National Girls' tournament in 1938 and 1939. She had won the Western Junior but the nation-wide was too big a chunk to bite off without expert instruction.

"Muriel never has been sick a day in her life," says Miss Tennant. "She has the constitution for plenty of tournament play, which is important for a budding champion."

Miss Magnuson will compete in the National Junior at the Philadelphia Cricket Club, Aug. 26.

"Teach," as her new and famous tutor is called, doesn't say as much in so many words, but a Tennant-coached product has a good grip on any trophy before the tournament starts.

That's a big reason why Muriel Magnuson is on her way.

NEW RIFLE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

At the Annual meeting of the Hong Kong Rifle Association held yesterday, Major R. D. Walker was re-elected president.

Mr. Hargreaves said, in relation to the alterations of certain rules, that the main object was to throw open the Association to all British residents in Hong Kong. The others were minor alterations arising from that.

Major Walker pointed out that the amendments had been carefully considered, and to expedite matters the Council decided to have them printed first, pending formal approval. The amendments were approved.

Following were elected to the committee for the ensuing year: President—Major R. D. Walker.

Vice-Presidents:—Brig. G.I.T. W. Reeve, Brig. A. B. Thomson, Col. L. A. Newnham and Major S. E. White.

Auditors:—Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. Hargreaves.

Subject to the approval of the Chief Engineer, Capt. A. J. Le Secler, R.E., was appointed Hon. Secretary in succession to Capt. F. Sale, who has resigned in consequence of his forthcoming departure.



TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Only one game has been arranged for to-day in the Third Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls competition:

J. McCutcheon and C. Gowland meet, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones at Taikoo.

"THE GREATEST PLAY I'VE EVER SEEN..."

(This is another of a series of short descriptions of "The Greatest Play I've Ever Seen," as appearing in the Shanghai "China Press.")

BY SID KEENAN

AS TOLD TO HAL P. MILLS

Although I am not American and boxing, not baseball, has been my calling, I have a great weakness for the American national game and have seen many a close, thrilling tussle and some really amazing plays here and in Manila.



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I believe the greatest play I've ever seen was one executed single-handed by Jack Riley, some 15 or more years ago. Riley was then in his prime and was a fine baseball player, a player capable of fitting in at almost any position.

The local team, I seem to recall, was playing a navy nine and until the ninth inning was having the worst of it. The navy team was leading by two runs when the ninth frame rolled around. In the last half of the inning, with two down, the navy pitcher walked one man and hit another. Both runners advanced a base on a passed ball.

Up came Jack Riley. Jack had not been hitting well that day and a few fans "razed" him as he stood at the plate. The navy hurler lobbed a slow one plate-ward and Jack cracked it for a clean single, scoring the two base runners. The next batter flied out and the game went into the tenth inning.

With one away, a navy hitter singled and stole second. It looked none too good for the home team, what with the navy's clean up batter up. Came the Riley strategy.

Maybe it was intuition, maybe just a plain hunch, or maybe canny knowledge of the batter, but at any rate Riley, playing in the centre garden, advanced almost to second base. And, surely enough, the batter whacked out what would have been a short single over second, but for the presence back of that base of Jack Riley.

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Discussion In Parliament On Financing Of War

WASTING OF FOOD--AN OFFENCE

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food in a statement yesterday said that on present indications there should be no need during the coming winter for any further measures of rationing.

He repeated the hopes the Ministry of Food has held out of relaxations of existing rationing which in any case only applied to butter, margarine, cooking fats, sugar, meat, bacon and tea. Particularly in respect of tea is a increase in the ration hoped for.

The national milk scheme, under which milk is available at half price or free in necessary cases to expectant and nursing mothers and children under five, had been a great success.

Of an estimated total of potential beneficiaries for the whole country of 3,758,000 those already registered under the scheme number 1,787,749 of whom 464,905 are receiving their daily pint of milk free.

An order had been issued, to come into force next Monday, making the deliberate or negligent waste of food an offence.—British Wireless.

LAND INVESTMENT DIVIDEND

At a Meeting held this morning of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., the Board of Directors declared an

CONDEMNED MAN TO APPEAL

Li Hung-fui, alias Joseph Li, who was found guilty on July 22 of the murder of Mr. J. Dubois of Sennet Freres, is appealing against the conviction, on legal grounds.

FRENCH SCIENTIST HONOURED

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

A moving ceremony occurred in Shanghai yesterday at the residence of the French consul-general when M. Henry Cosme, French Ambassador, handed the Gold Medal of the French Concession to Dr. Raynal, director of the local Pasteur Institute.

Dr. Raynal, a prominent scientist, has made extensive studies in typhus.

While experimenting on the typhus germ, he accidentally injected himself with the virus and nearly died.

Prominent French personalities attended the ceremony while the Ambassador in a moving speech exalted the role of French scientists.—Havas.

Interim Dividend of One Dollar per Share for the six months ended 30th June, 1940.

Chancellor Regarded As Not Doing Enough

MR. F. W. PETHICK-LAWRENCE (Labour), speaking in the House of Commons yesterday, expressed the strong conviction that the country is prepared to continue the war until the menace of Hitlerism is destroyed.

He declared if the war should go on longer than three years our financial situation would still be not impossible to deal with.

There was nothing to prevent the lowering of interest on long-term loans to 2½ per cent. The Chancellor had power to do it and the people would support him.

Mr. Lawrence said he was among those who thought the Chancellor could have imposed heavier burdens.

He suggested the Treasury Bill rate of interest should be reduced to a half or 3/4 instead of one per cent.

Sir J. Wardlaw Milne (Cons.) described the Budget proposals as totally inadequate.

Inflation Danger

He declared inflation had already begun and we must endeavour to reverse the inflation process—to bring about a reduction of purchasing power or an increase of supplies or both.

Sir J. Wardlaw Milne, who is chairman of the select committee on war expenditure, declared borrowing would not fill the gap between revenue and expenditure.

Forced Loan?

He asked was there to be a forced loan, and added, if so, the sooner Parliament faced the possibility the better.

He suggested taxation of all earned incomes above a stated minimum and deducted at the source; special attention to those whose earnings had increased as a result of the war, the issue of premium bonds, reduction of the Excess Profits Tax from 100 per cent to 90 per cent and further restrictions on luxury consumption.—Reuter.

ADEQUATE TIME

Moving the second reading of the Finance Bill in the Commons yesterday, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood, said that before further taxation was imposed, adequate time should be given.

The Chancellor emphasised the vital importance of all sections of the community saving to the utmost and devoting those savings to the State.

In the first 36 weeks of the savings campaign more than £330 millions had gone into certificates, defence bonds and increased savings bank deposits.

In that period £300 million war loan, £132 million national war bonds and £13 million loans free of interest, totalling £768 millions or £21 millions a week, since last November, had been received.

He expected to bring the Purchase Tax into operation in two months' time.—Reuter.

CHOLERA OUTBREAK IN SZECHUEN

An epidemic of cholera is prevalent in districts along the high-ways in north Szechuen, including Kienko and Longchung.

The Szechuen Health Bureau has despatched an epidemic-prevention unit there to combat the disease, and will establish quarantine stations along the high-ways and rivers.—Central News.

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TIGHTENING UP IN ENGLAND

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

The British authorities have not overlooked any aspect of home security and restrictions and precautions have been enforced in all walks of life.

Latest security measures prohibit the use of homing pigeons to carry messages without formal authorisation.

It is now also forbidden to use toy aeroplanes propelled either by elastic or small petrol motor.

The Ministry of Agriculture has sent circulars to all farmers advising them to avoid concentrating hay-stacks. Stacks should be placed as far apart from each other as possible to lessen the danger of fire from bombing.

The courts will enforce the new decrees with the greatest severity, and many foreigners who have disregarded the new regulations, such as the curfew, have been punished.—Havas.

DANGEROUS GOODS

Before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, at the Central Magistracy this morning, Choi Tak, 59, master of trading Junk No. T4014H, was charged with failing to anchor in a dangerous goods anchorage with 500 tins of kerosene on board, unlawful possession of 60 pounds of gunpowder and failure to have a red light at the mast head when in possession of dangerous goods.

Defendant said he was a newcomer to that trade, and did not know the regulations.

Inspector Russell told the Court that during a routine search on Monday, defendant's junk was found anchored within 100 yards of the Sai Wan Ho Ferry wharf. Defendant was fined \$100, \$10, and \$25 on the three charges.

MOTOR ACCIDENT

A 23-year-old Chinese, Lo Cheung, was treated at the Queen Mary Hospital for injuries received when he was knocked down by a car driven by Dr. G. T. Blean, in King's Road, near the South China Swimming Pavilion, yesterday.

STOP PRESS

Customs officials appointed by the Nanking Government have taken over the administration of the Customs College in Shanghai. The College has been closed since early this summer on instructions from the Chungking Government. It is not known whether the Nanking officials will re-open the College later.—Reuter.

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SHIPPING LOSSES AND CLAIMS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Coincident with the publication yesterday of the latest Admiralty figures of Allied and neutral mercantile losses, the German High Command communique claimed that from July 9 to July 31 "enemy shipping- and shipping useful to the enemy has been sunk as follows: — By U-boats 344,174 tons, by surface forces 98,500 tons."

The German communique adds that since the outbreak of war these losses totalled 4,981,860 tons by the action of the German war marine and air force and that in addition the air arm has damaged merchant ships of a total tonnage of 1,500,000 tons.

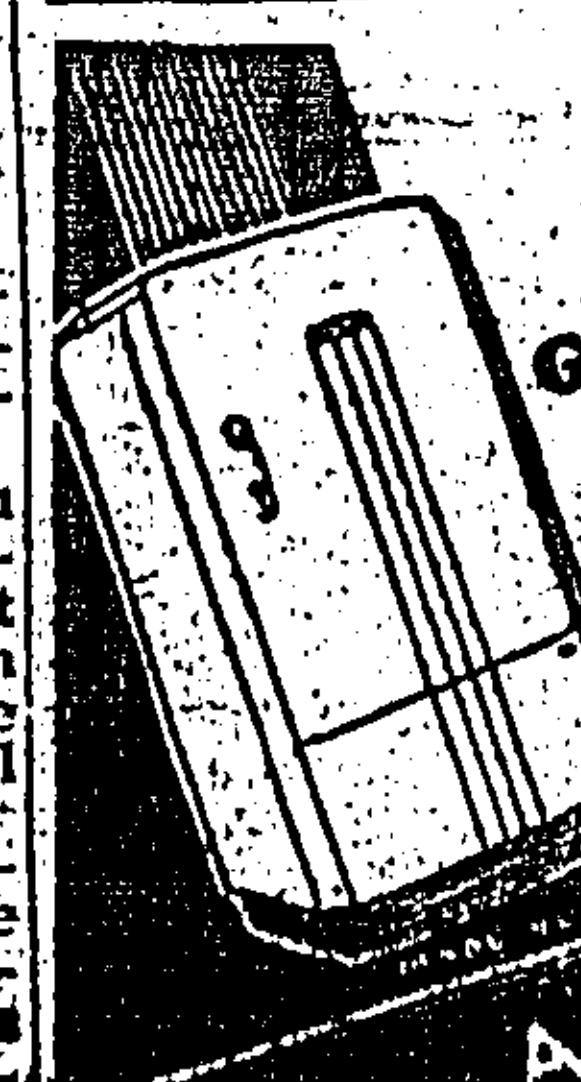
In authoritative London circles it is recalled that the German High Command communique on July 12 multiplied by four the losses of merchant shipping inflicted on Britain since the outbreak of war. Yesterday's similar communique, which adds nothing to Germany's earlier allegations, apart from the claim to have sunk 679,324 tons of shipping in the last three weeks in July, once again multiplies the truth nearly fourfold.

Actual Figures

Actual figures for the three weeks July 7 to 28 are: British, Allied and neutral merchant shipping sunk 198,112 tons, of which British shipping accounts for 136,141 tons. These figures cover all losses whether by torpedo, aerial or mine attack.

The habitual inaccuracy of Germany's figures, it is added, may not be wholly deliberate. It may partly be due to the reliance which the High Command must place on the word of its tip and run attackers many of whom cannot be aware of the tonnage figures of the ships they attack or indeed of the results they attain.—British Wireless.

Making their entrance through the roof trap-door at No. 177, Fa Yuen Street, six robbers, two armed with revolvers, robbed the inmates of \$141, in money and jewellery, at 6.50 a.m. this morning.



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